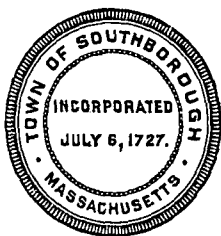


ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Town Officers



Southborough, Massachusetts

For the Year Ending December 31

1953

REPORT OF
ADVISORY COMMITTEE
TOWN OF SOUTHBOROUGH
For the Year 1953

Annual Town Meeting

March 8, 1954

BRING THIS REPORT TO TOWN MEETING FOR REFERENCE

Consolidated recommended budget figures are as follows:

General Government	\$15,633.98	(5.25%)
Protection of Persons and Property	21,958.00	(7.36%)
Health and Sanitation	4,555.50*	(1.53%)
Highways	22,027.00	(7.39%)
Charities and Aid	28,800.00	(9.67%)
Soldiers' Benefits	4,415.00	(1.49%)
Education	138,740.41	(46.56%)
Libraries	4,881.20	(1.64%)
Public Service Enterprises	16,284.55	(5.46%)
Unclassified	16,395.69	(5.50%)
Cemetery	8,250.00	(2.77%)
Maturing Debt and Interest	14,685.00	(4.92%)
Recreation	1,375.00	(.46%)

\$298,001.33 (100.00%)

* For purposes of better comparison we have included the \$3,500.00 voted at the Special Town Meeting, February 1, 1954 for Garbage Collection. You will note that the total approved budget of the Board of Health is \$930.50 — nothing is noted under the item Garbage Collection, this having been taken up at the special meeting.

Report of the Advisory Committee

To the voters of the Town of Southborough:

A study of the recommended budgets indicates an increase of approximately \$14,000.00 in 1954 over the budgets voted at the 1953 Town Meeting. You will note that for better comparison we have included the item Garbage Collection voted February 1st, 1954, in the sum of \$3,500.00. The recommended budgets as itemized in the report following amount to \$294,501.33.

Under General Government you will note that varying increases are necessary to better conduct the affairs of the Town. Because of an increased number of details various departments will need more clerical service. Due to the new toll road going through Southborough, due to legal work in connection with the new elementary school, due to work that may be necessary in connection with Planning Board activities, more legal services will be necessary.

Under Protection of Persons and Property we call your attention to the Police Budget. During the year 1953 a total of \$6,684.94 was expended. For the year 1954 a total of \$9,255.76 is requested — an increase of 38.5% over 1953 expenditures. During the year 1953 we believe that this department operated efficiently, gave the town excellent protection and did outstanding and commendable service during the Tornado Emergency. With all this in mind we gave considerable time and study to their needs for the year 1954. It is our opinion that we would be overextending the finances of the Town if we advised a 38.5% increase. We believe that the people of Southborough can be fully protected on a budget of \$7,300.00

With this in mind we also recommend that if the townspeople should vote in the affirmative on Article 32, to raise \$3,900.00 for payment of an annual salary for the Chief of Police, that the total amount to be expended should still not exceed the \$7,300.00 mentioned above.

Under Education a comparison of figures shows that the total recommended for the year 1954 is only 3.5% over the approved and voted amount in 1953. It is worthy to note here that with this slight increase provisions have been made to put salaries paid to our teachers on a slightly more competitive basis and brings the amounts paid closer to present averages throughout the state. At this writing it is not expected that the building of the new elementary school will add to the tax burden in the year 1954.

You will note that at the end of the itemized reports we have given you the expenditures made due to the Tornado Emergency. It is our understanding that this money will eventually come back to the Town from various Federal and State Agencies. However,

it is our further understanding that if it does not come back in full the Town must raise the difference. We do not believe that this will add to the tax burden in 1954.

Your Advisory Committee does not consider it a duty to predict a specific tax rate for the current year. This determination lies with the Board of Assessors. However, based on the recommendations as reported we can approximate an increase of one or two dollars. We can predict that a substantial increase will be forthcoming if it is voted to go beyond our recommendations.

As of January 1, 1954, the Free Cash figure was \$44,971.21. Compare this to the Free Cash figure of January 1, 1953 — \$97,146.65. Comparison discloses that the \$44,971.21 is dangerously low. Every effort should be made to build up this 1954 figure. Because of this we do not recommend the use of Free Cash to reduce the amounts to be raised.

We submit for your considered study the following figures.

Respectfully submitted,

The Advisory Committee
 Frederick E. Claffin, Chairman
 Charles S. Barton
 Charles F. McNeil
 J. Franklin Millea, Secretary
 Edward J. Phair

BUDGET ITEMS (See Warrant Article No. 4)

GENERAL GOVERNMENT — 5.25% of Total

	Expended 1953	Requested 1954	Approved 1954
1 Advisory Committee:			
Salaries — Clerk	\$75.00	\$75.00	
Stationery, Printing and Postage		15.00	
Association Dues and Subscriptions	10.00	10.00	
Association Meeting Expense	15.00	15.00	
Average of prior 3 years — \$75.00	\$100.00	\$115.00	\$115.00
2 Selectmen:			
Salaries — Clerical	\$1,250.00	\$1,625.00	
Stationery, Postage and Printing	116.76	200.00	
Post Office Box Rent	3.00	3.60	
Advertising	23.90	75.00	
Association Dues and Subscriptions	66.00	75.00	
Association Meeting Expense	90.01	100.00	
Travel	135.00	225.00	
Perambulation of Bounds		20.00	
New Equipment	389.68	150.00	
Average of prior 3 years — \$1,425.37	\$2,074.35	\$2,473.60	\$2,473.60

	Expended 1953	Requested 1954	Approved 1954
3 Accounting:			
Salaries	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	
Clerical		200.00	
Stationery, Printing and Postage	86.95	100.00	
Telephone	63.10	125.00	
Association Dues and Subscriptions	5.00	5.00	
Association Meeting Expense	24.15	25.00	
New Equipment	184.00	25.00	
Equipment Repairs		20.00	
Average of prior 3 years — \$1,405.53	\$1,563.20	\$1,700.00	\$1,700.00

4 Treasurer:

Clerical	\$250.00	\$500.00	
Stationery and Postage	100.47	125.00	
Telephone	1.38	48.00	
Safe Deposit Box	6.00	6.00	
Bonds and Insurance	260.00	275.00	
Association Dues and Subscriptions	2.00	2.00	
Transportation to Bank	20.00	20.00	
New Equipment	209.00	75.00	
Equipment Repairs		20.00	
Equipment and Service Hire — Paying Agents	10.00	16.00	
Average of prior 3 years — \$614.79	\$858.85	\$1,087.00	\$1,087.00

5 Collector:

Labor — Clerical	\$355.70	\$425.00	
Stationery, Printing and Postage	425.81	325.00	
Telephone	91.18	104.00	
Bonds and Insurance	325.25	325.25	
Association Dues and Subscriptions	2.00	2.00	
Association Meeting Expense		11.00	
Equipment Repairs	38.70	25.00	
Recording Liens		25.00	
Deputies Fees		25.00	
Average of prior 3 years — \$1,108.14	\$1,238.64	\$1,267.25	\$1,267.25

6 Town Clerk:

Stationery, Printing and Postage	\$37.47	\$58.00	
Telephone	30.79	73.53	
Post Office Box Rent		3.60	
Bonds and Insurance	15.00	5.00	
Association Dues and Subscriptions	19.00	19.00	
Association Meeting Expense	20.77	44.00	
Administering Oaths	17.00	18.00	
Recording Fees	123.00	112.00	
Binding Records		40.00	
Equipment Repairs		12.00	
Publication New By-Laws		25.00	
Recording Deeds		50.00	
Average of prior 3 years — \$310.77	\$263.03	\$460.13	\$460.13

	Expended 1953	Requested 1954	Approved 1954
7 Election and Registration:			
Registrars	\$150.00	\$150.00	
Listing		225.00	
Stationery, Printing and Postage	558.80	560.00	
Town Meeting Expense	416.64	85.00	
Recount of Votes		15.00	
Labor — Election Officers	94.10	675.00	
Labor — Election Police	50.00	100.00	
Meals	84.15	225.00	
New Equipment		25.00	
Average of prior 3 years — \$1,530.27	\$1,353.69	\$2,060.00	\$2,060.00

8 Assessors:

Labor — Clerical	\$205.10	\$350.00	
Stationery, Printing and Postage	9.50	25.00	
Operating Supplies	124.08	100.00	
Post Office Box Rent		2.00	
Association Dues and Subscriptions	9.00	9.00	
Association Meeting Expense	20.00	25.00	
Deed Abstracts	195.61	225.00	
Listing Personal Property, Polls & Dogs	89.25	100.00	
Transportation, Assessors' use of Automobile	75.00	75.00	
New Equipment (Office Desk, Chair and Typewriter)		280.00	
Average of prior 3 years — \$664.59	\$727.54	\$1,191.00	\$1,191.00

9 Legal:

Salary	\$300.00	\$300.00	
Services	498.00	2,500.00	
Average of Prior 3 years — \$929.32	\$798.00	\$2,800.00	\$2,800.00

10 Town Hall:

Salaries	\$999.96	\$1,000.00	
Telephone	134.98	150.00	
Amplifiers for Town Meeting	85.00	100.00	
Fuel	451.97	500.00	
Light and Power	148.96	150.00	
Water	36.18	40.00	
Equipment Repairs	125.03	200.00	
Building Maintenance	44.15	300.00	
Operating Supplies	7.95	25.00	
Average of Prior 3 years — \$2,055.78	\$2,034.18	\$2,465.00	\$2,465.00

11 Tax Title:

Tax Title Expense	\$6.30	\$15.00	
Average of Prior 3 years — \$6.06	\$6.30	\$15.00	\$15.00

PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

7.36% of Total

	Expended 1953	Requested 1954	Approved 1954
12 Police:			
Salaries			
Chief	\$366.00	\$730.00	
Fayette Crossing	732.00	900.00	
Special Police	1,001.00	1,500.00	
Dog Officer	100.00	100.00	
Stationery, Printing and Postage	65.06	125.00	
Telephone	268.50	360.00	
Post Office Box Rent		3.60	
Association Dues and Subscriptions	18.00	25.00	
Association Meeting Expense	94.20	125.00	
Equipment for Men	281.60	637.16	
Oil and Grease	43.20	85.00	
New Equipment			
Special Police Car Mileage	13.60	50.00	
Lock Up Expense	138.00	125.00	
Equipment Repairs	23.35	100.00	
Radio Repairs		100.00	
Highway Signs	28.67	100.00	
Auto Equipment	253.08	270.00	
Night Patrol	2,920.00	3,650.00	
Tires and Tubes	108.85	150.00	
Use of Radio Facilities	20.00	20.00	
Operating Supplies (Camera Accessories)	209.83	100.00	
Average of Prior 3 years — \$4,700.22	\$6,684.94	\$9,255.76	\$7,300.00
13 Fire Maintenance:			
Chief's Travel	\$100.00	\$100.00	
Stationery, Printing and Postage	20.99	40.00	
Telephone	196.79	170.00	
Association Dues and Subscriptions	13.00	13.00	
Association Meeting Expense	75.00	75.00	
Fuel	754.29	500.00	
Light and Power	114.10	125.00	
Water	24.00	45.00	
Gasoline, Oil and Grease	11.75	75.00	
Hose	759.65	750.00	
New Equipment	271.99		
Power Saw	\$250.00		
Hydraulic Jack	160.00		
		410.00	
Equipment Repairs	193.04		
Truck Repairs and Supplies		150.00	
Extinguisher Repairs		25.00	
Equipment for Men	14.25	200.00	
Building Maintenance (Repairs)	399.22	300.00	
1 Set Tires		255.00	
Lunches	26.32		
Janitors' Supplies	22.38	20.00	
Hand Light Batteries and Repair		25.00	
Average of Prior 3 years — \$3,378.69	\$2,996.77	\$3,278.00	\$3,278.00

	Expended 1953	Requested 1954	Approved 1954
14 Fire Salaries:			
Chief	\$575.00	\$575.00	
Janitors 1 @ \$345.00			
1 @ \$145.00	490.00	490.00	
Captains 2 @ \$125.00	250.00	250.00	
Lieutenants 3 @ \$115.00	345.00	345.00	
Privates 30 @ \$100.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	
Clerks 2 @ \$15.00	30.00	30.00	
Average of Prior 3 years — \$4,263.25	\$4,690.00	\$4,690.00	\$4,690.00

15 Forest Fire:			
Salaries — Warden	\$50.00	\$50.00	
Labor	338.95	750.00	
Stationery, Printing and Postage		20.00	
Gasoline, Oil and Grease	4.45	15.00	
New Equipment			
Pump Tanks and Parts	238.75	100.00	
Hose (500 feet)	357.00	250.00	
Equipment Repairs		35.00	
Operating Supplies	34.61	20.00	
Forest Fire Patrol		50.00	
Average of Prior 3 years — \$1,057.70	\$1,023.76	\$1,290.00	\$1,290.00

16 Moth:			
Labor	\$1,795.00	\$2,200.00	
Gasoline and Oil	62.00	30.00	
Equipment Repairs	88.00	60.00	
Insecticides	58.84	85.00	
Tools	12.94	65.00	
Truck Hire	126.00	250.00	
Light	11.00	12.00	
Average for Prior 3 years — \$2,168.31	\$2,153.78	\$2,702.00	\$2,702.00

17 Tree Warden:			
Labor	\$2,056.75	\$2,200.00	
Operating Supplies	79.44	25.00	
Tools	10.50	15.00	
Truck Hire	137.00	225.00	
Equipment Repairs	64.82	50.00	
Gasoline, Oil and Grease	71.09	35.00	
Average for Prior 3 years — \$2,159.02	\$2,419.60	\$2,550.00	\$2,550.00

18 Sealer of Weights and Measures:			
Salaries	\$100.00	\$100.00	
Operating Supplies	18.70	18.00	
Travel	15.00	25.00	
Deputy	5.00	5.00	
Average for Prior 3 years — \$137.67	\$138.70	\$148.00	\$148.00

HEALTH AND SANITATION — 1.53% of Total

	Expended 1953	Requested 1954	Approved 1954
19 Board of Health:			
Worcester County Sanatorium	\$528.00	\$547.50	
Salary — Agent	50.00	50.00	
Salary — Inspector of Slaughtering	25.00	100.00	
Postage, Telephone and Stationery	22.80	75.00	
Association Dues		3.00	
Garbage Collection	2,017.62		
Well-Child Conference:			
Physician	60.00	60.00	
Nurse	50.00	50.00	
Dental Hygienist	30.00	30.00	
Expenses	15.00	15.00	
Average of Prior 3 years — \$2,952.02	\$2,798.42	\$930.50	\$930.50

20 Inspector of Animals:

Salary	\$100.00	\$100.00	
Stationery and Postage	1.57	2.00	
Telephone	2.37	2.00	
Travel	21.00	21.00	
Average of Prior 3 years — \$124.84	\$124.94	\$125.00	\$125.00

HIGHWAYS — 7.39% of Total

21 Street Lights:

Traffic Lights	\$22.70		
Street Lights	5,995.80	\$6,645.00	
Average of Prior 3 years — \$5,613.36	\$6,018.50	\$6,645.00	\$6,645.00

22 Highway Snow Removal:

Salary — Superintendent	\$344.75		
Labor	1,859.26	\$3,830.00	
Grease		10.00	
New Blades	702.66	500.00	
Sand	761.52	800.00	
Salt	1,263.39	1,887.00	
West End Plowing	40.00	100.00	
Hired Equipment	131.10		
Equipment Repairs	603.17	500.00	
Protective Clothing for Men		50.00	
Lunches	7.45	50.00	
Average of Prior 3 years — \$5,798.91	\$5,713.30	\$7,727.00	\$7,727.00

23 Highway — Special Maintenance:

Salary — Superintendent	\$656.81		
Labor	1,751.35	\$3,500.00	
Engineering Services	60.00	125.00	

	Expended 1953	Requested 1954	Approved 1954
Telephone	174.70	200.00	
Gravel	45.00	100.00	
Tar	354.27	300.00	
Association Dues and Expenses	26.00		
Association Meeting Expense		50.00	
Lunches		50.00	
Light and Power	8.00	10.00	
Street Signs	86.50	75.00	
Metal Culvert	850.68	800.00	
Catch Basins	241.98	200.00	
Fences	525.00		
Cold Patch for Water Dept. and other departments		140.00	
Cold Patch	69.30	50.00	
Sand and Gravel for Brook Lane		425.00	
Equipment Repairs	59.25	100.00	
Building Repairs	177.24	150.00	
Hired Equipment	203.00	200.00	
Small Tools	159.11	150.00	
Time Books	9.09	10.00	
Expressage	3.99		
Oil for Lamps		20.00	
Average of Prior 3 years — \$4,234.84	\$5,461.27	\$6,655.00	\$6,655.00

24 Highway — Sidewalks:

Salary — Superintendent	\$43.03		
Labor	215.24	\$400.00	
Cold Patch	331.80	600.00	
Operating Supplies	8.45		
Average of Prior 3 years — \$498.70	\$598.52	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00

CHARITIES AND AID — 9.67% of Total

25 General Relief:

Cash Payments		\$200.00	
Rent		200.00	
Food	\$118.00	150.00	
Fuel and Light		50.00	
Board and Room		200.00	
Clothing		50.00	
Medical Expense	153.67	250.00	
Funerals		200.00	
Telephone	19.90	50.00	
Hospitalization	456.00	300.00	
Payments to Other Cities and Towns		100.00	
Administrative Salaries	193.79	250.00	
Administrative Expense	41.35	100.00	
New Equipment	70.25		
Average of Prior 3 years — \$1,700.66	\$1,052.96	\$2,100.00	\$2,100.00

	Expended 1953	Requested 1954	Approved 1954
26 Old Age Assistance:			
Grants to Recipients	\$28,931.98	\$30,000.00	
Payments to Other Towns	1,229.85	1,700.00	
Administrative Salaries	1,683.11	1,850.00	
Administrative Expenses	298.57	350.00	
New Cases	275.70	2,000.00	
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	\$32,419.21	\$35,900.00	
Anticipated Federal Funds Available	9,581.98	15,900.00	
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(Town's Share)	\$22,837.23	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
Average of Prior 3 years — \$20,693.13			

27 Aid to Dependent Children:			
Grants to Recipients	\$3,040.00	\$4,200.00	
Medicine and Medical Attention	205.60		
Administrative Salaries	244.79	300.00	
Administrative Expenses	44.44	100.00	
New Cases		1,000.00	
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	\$3,534.83	\$5,600.00	
Anticipated Federal Reimbursement	1,459.56	2,100.00	
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(Town's Share)	\$2,075.27	3,500.00	\$3,500.00
Average of Prior 3 years — \$1,717.28			

28 Disability Assistance:			
Grants to Recipients	\$1,610.70	\$3,200.00	
Administrative Salaries	140.75	250.00	
Medical Expense	64.85		
Administrative Expenses	82.94	100.00	
New Cases		1,000.00	
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	\$1,899.24	\$4,550.00	
Anticipated Federal Reimbursement	242.70	1,350.00	
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(Town's Share)	\$1,656.54	\$3,200.00	\$3,200.00
Average of Prior 3 years — \$1,165.80			

SOLDIER'S BENEFITS — 1.49% of Total

29 Veterans' Services:			
Salary — Agent	\$300.00	\$300.00	
Burial Agent's Salary	10.00	10.00	
Stationery, Printing, Postage, Telephone	30.18	25.00	
Travel — Investigating Cases	9.84	30.00	
New Cases Possibility		300.00	
Association Dues and Subscriptions	10.00	10.00	
Association Meeting Expense		15.00	
Ordinary Allowances	844.25	2,700.00	
Fuel Allowances	30.00	200.00	
Medical and Drugs	331.20	375.00	

	Expended 1953	Requested 1954	Approved 1954
Nursing Home	1,500.00		
Burials	250.00		
Emergency out-of-Town cases		200.00	
Chapter 797 War Allowance Cases		250.00	
Average of Prior 3 years — \$2,923.65	\$3,315.47	\$4,415.00	\$4,415.00

EDUCATION — 46.56% of Total

30 School:

Expenses of Instruction			
Teachers' Salaries	\$78,057.27	\$89,425.83	
Text Books	2,095.75	2,500.00	
Supplies	3,338.88	3,400.00	
Operation of School Plant			
Janitors' Salaries	6,365.67	6,650.00	
Fuel	3,648.13	4,335.06	
Miscellaneous Operations	2,189.50	2,325.00	
Maintenance of School Plant			
Repairs	7,230.98	3,750.00	
Auxiliary Agencies-			
Libraries	520.55	600.00	
Health	1,673.11	1,700.00	
Transportation	11,223.98	11,712.52	
Miscellaneous	486.86	400.00	
General Control			
General Control	4,706.48	4,417.00	
Outlay			
Total Outlay	7,760.16	3,230.00	
Average of Prior 3 years — \$113,174.39	\$129,297.32	\$134,445.41	\$134,445.41

31 Vocational Education:

Vocational Education			
Tuition	\$1,998.32	\$2,295.00	
Transportation	742.76	1,100.00	
Average of Prior 3 years — \$3,051.29	\$2,741.08	\$3,395.00	\$3,395.00

32 Revolving Athletic Fund:

Revolving Athletic Fund	\$500.00	900.00	\$900.00
Average of Prior 3 years — \$466.67			

In compliance with the requirements of Chapter 70, Section 10 we present herewith the estimated amount of school aid the town will receive from the Commonwealth. The reimbursement's are based on amounts received during the year 1953. It is assumed that revenues will be the same during the year 1954.

Estimated Revenues During 1954

State aid under Chapter 70, General Laws	\$20,760.97
Reimbursement on salary and expense of Superintendent of Schools	1,493.34
Reimbursement on school transportation	8,249.80
Reimbursement on vocational tuition and	

	Expended 1953	Requested 1954	Approved 1954
transportation		1,855.11	
Tuition and transportation of state wards		2,478.02	
Non-resident tuition		93.87	
Miscellaneous petty cash received		62.93	
Estimated Revenue Accruing During 1954		<u>\$34,994.04</u>	

LIBRARIES — 1.64% of Total

33 Fay Library:

Salaries — Librarian	\$1,850.04	\$2,150.00	
Salaries — Assistant Librarians	233.65	157.80	
Salaries — Janitors	687.00	650.00	
Labor	37.00	50.00	
Association Dues and Subscriptions	2.00	2.50	
Association Meeting Expense	1.50	1.50	
Fuel	463.00	750.90	
Light and Power	63.20	65.00	
Water	24.00	24.00	
New Equipment			
Books	615.01	610.00	
Magazines and Periodicals	119.50	119.50	
New Encyclopedia Americana	172.00		
Equipment Repairs		85.00	
Building Maintenance	45.44	56.50	
Binding Books and Periodicals	82.28		
Operating Supplies			
Janitor	83.78	61.50	
Librarians	35.39	45.00	
Transportation of Books	114.00	52.00	
Average of Prior 3 years — \$4,570.53	<u>\$4,628.79</u>	<u>\$4,881.20</u>	<u>\$4,881.20</u>

PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISES — 5.46% of Total

34 Water:

Administration		
Salary — Working Superintendent	\$3,820.80	\$4,268.16
Registrar — Clerk	324.50	450.00
Stationery, Printing and Postage	101.18	150.00
Telephone	187.34	203.27
All Others	110.00	95.00
Recording Liens		200.00
General		
Labor	4,320.36	4,404.12
Emergency Repairs	35.20	350.00
Pipe and Fittings	394.33	100.00
Meters and Fittings	1,134.98	1,008.00
Freight	13.37	15.00
Small Tools	158.62	100.00
Compressor Supplies	46.12	123.50
Service Connections		
Pipe and Fittings	743.90	885.00

	Expended 1953	Requested 1954	Approved 1954
Pumping Station			
Oil Waste and Packing	45.73	55.00	
Supplies	147.20	200.00	
Gasoline		15.50	
Miscellaneous			
Chlorine	83.72	\$94.50	
Power and Light	2,297.56	2,700.00	
Fuel Oil	304.55	350.00	
Painting Southville Tank	1,092.03		
Hydrants			
Maintenance	34.21	110.00	
Station Maintenance			
Grading at Station		125.00	
Check Valve at Station		202.50	
Truck			
Truck Repairs	104.85	25.00	
Truck Supplies	89.36	55.00	
Average of Prior 3 years — \$16,813.79	\$15,589.91	\$16,284.55	\$16,284.55

UNCLASSIFIED — 5.50% of Total

35 Reserve Fund:

Estimate 1954		\$3,000.00	
Town Treasurer	\$209.00		
Board of Health	25.00		
Fay Library	140.00		
Fayville Town Hall	101.40		
Average of Prior 3 years — \$1,677.10	\$475.40	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00

36. Fayville Hall:

Salaries — Janitor	\$500.00	\$500.00	
Fuel — Oil, Gas	556.54	500.00	
Light and Power	80.40	100.00	
Water	36.67	24.00	
Equipment Repairs	7.50	100.00	
Operating Supplies	8.50	40.00	
Emergency Lighting		250.00	
Average of Prior 3 years — \$1,017.85	\$1,189.61	\$1,514.00	\$1,514.00

37 Common and Town House Grounds:

Labor	\$185.74	\$225.00	
Paint Flag Pole	50.00	50.00	
New Flag	29.85		
Stonewall Repairs		100.00	
Fertilizer, Weed Killer, Seed		50.00	
Operating Supplies	12.63		
Small Tools		5.00	
Average of Prior 3 years — \$281.96	\$278.22	\$430.00	\$430.00

	Expended 1953	Requested 1954	Approved 1954
38 Town Reports:			
Printing and Distribution	\$1,008.25	\$1,200.00	
Average of Prior 3 years — \$907.34	\$1,008.25	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00

39 Insurance:

Fire — Building and Contents	\$1,184.80	\$1,184.00	
Extended Coverage		1,100.00	
Fleet — Fire and Theft	299.62	358.08	
Workmen's Compensation	1,896.40	2,217.57	
Fleet Liability	1,090.45	1,371.89	
Registration	24.00	27.00	
Hartford Steam Boiler	289.20		
Public Liability (Town Bldgs.)	218.90	218.90	
Firemen Group	224.25	224.25	
Water Truck Collision	46.00		
Average of Prior 3 years — \$5,010.48	\$5,273.62	\$6,701.69	\$6,701.69

40 Planning Board:

Miscellaneous	\$18.00	\$750.00	\$750.00
Average of Prior 3 years — \$6.00			
Budget estimate for 1954 includes consultation with a qualified engineer due to the new Municipal Planning and Subdivision Control Legislation as enacted into law as Chapter 674 of the Acts of 1953.			

41 Gasoline:

Gasoline	\$2,661.23	\$2,800.00	
Average of Prior 3 years — \$2,132.28	\$2,661.23	\$2,800.00	\$2,800.00

CEMETERY — 2.77% of Total

42 Cemetery:

Salaries — Working Superintendent	\$3,450.00	\$3,600.00	
Labor	3,086.85	3,400.00	
Stationery, Printing and Postage	23.40	30.00	
Telephone	124.94	120.00	
Association Dues and Subscriptions	42.00	20.00	
Water	37.51	50.00	
Gasoline, Oil and Grease	112.42	100.00	
Equipment Repairs	322.08	200.00	
Operating Supplies — Fertilizer, Lime, Seed and Cement	456.25	380.00	
Equipment and Service Hire		150.00	
Grave Liners	208.50	200.00	
Average of Prior 3 years — \$7,089.06	\$7,863.95	\$8,250.00	\$8,250.00

MATURING DEBT AND INTEREST — 4.92% of Total

	Expended 1953	Requested 1954	Approved 1954
43 Interest on Debt:			
Southboro Water Loan	\$2,800.00	\$2,400.00	
Fayville Water Loan	380.00	285.00	
Average of Prior 3 years — \$3,675.00	\$3,180.00	\$2,685.00	\$2,685.00
44 Debt Retirement:			
Southboro Water Loan	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	
Fayville Water Loan	2,000.00	2,000.00	
Average of Prior 3 years — \$12,000	\$12,000.00	\$12,000.00	\$12,000.00

RECREATION — .46% of Total

45 Mooney Field:			
Labor	\$265.45	\$225.00	
Gasoline, Oil and Grease	31.75	25.00	
Equipment Repairs	84.50	50.00	
Building Maintenance	5.73		
Operating Supplies	30.84	75.00	
Loam	77.00		
Fertilizer, Seed and Lime	78.69	75.00	
Average of Prior 3 years — \$504.89	\$573.96	\$450.00	\$450.00
46 Harold E. Fay Memorial Field:			
Mowing Field	\$81.00	\$250.00	
Fertilizer, Loam and Seed	400.00	450.00	
New Equipment		100.00	
Playground Slide		125.00	
	\$481.00	\$925.00	\$925.00

WARRANT ARTICLE BUDGETS

	Expended 1953
Swimming Pool	
Life Guards	\$263.00
Water	43.20
Cleaning	149.62
Sand	18.45
Total	\$474.27
Selectmen's Playground Fund	
Supervisors	\$375.00
Supplies and Equipment	63.71
Sand and Loam	9.20
Total	\$447.91
South Union School Playground	
Grading	\$763.95
Revaluation of Real Estate	
J. M. Clemenshaw Co.	\$4,100.00
Town Dump	
Care and Use of Dump Site	
(George Gulbankian)	\$325.00
Highway — Equipment and Maintenance.	
Superintendent	\$191.73
Labor	386.57
Equipment Repairs	\$2,934.14
Gasoline, Oil and Grease	76.56
All Other	7.90
Total	\$3,596.90
Highways — Chapter 81	
Superintendent	\$1,476.01
Labor	5,339.96
Culvert	2,562.85
Sand	1,216.90
Patch	779.10
Traffic Signs	29.60
Tarvia and Road Oil	4,854.26
Small Tools	25.28
Fence	210.00
Equipment Hire	280.80
Equipment Rentals	3,142.70
Total	\$19,917.46
Highways — Chapter 90, Construction	
Superintendent	\$418.79
Labor	1,893.37
Broken Stone, Gravel, etc.	1,139.13
Tarvia and Road Oil	1,994.01
Culvert	1,787.94
Hired Equipment	806.65

	Expended 1953
Equipment Rentals	1,005.45
Total	\$9,045.34
Highways — Chapter 90, Maintenance	
Superintendent	\$46.83
Labor	152.51
Culvert	3.75
Broken Stone, Gravel, etc.	1,165.73
Equipment Rentals	62.60
Tarvia and Road Oil	941.08
Traffic Paint	18.70
Total	\$2,391.20
Cable Fences	
Superintendent	\$157.03
Labor	551.32
Cable	1,038.81
Cable Posts	702.80
Small Tools	23.46
Total	\$2,473.41
Health Agent Salary and Expenses (Article 1, Special Meeting 9/21/53)	
T. P. Stone, M. D.	\$110.00
Special Appropriation — Fire and Police Resuscitator	
1 Asperator	\$10.00
1 Resuscitator	533.00
Total	\$543.00
Private Tree Work	\$49.20
Town Hall Heating System	\$173.00
New Highway Truck	
E. F. Edson, Inc.	\$12,381.37
Dutch Elm Tree Disease Elimination	
Labor	\$700.30
Auto Hire	17.00
Hired Services	150.00
Total	\$867.30
New Southville Fire House Committee	
Robert A. Messier, Architect (for sketch of New Firehouse)	\$30.00
Willow Street Extension	
Labor	\$256.60
Prentiss Street Extension	
Salary and Wages	
Superintendent	\$75.00
Labor	452.89
Hired Equipment	255.80
Supplies	16.94
Pipe and Fittings	696.96
Hydrant	156.20
Total	\$1,653.79

Expended
1953

New Library Heater

Fay-Byrne Plumbing Co. (Payment to date)	\$2,500.00
Alfred Christie (Plans and Specifications)	250.00

Total	<u>\$2,750.00</u>
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New Elementary School

Howard Rich — H. F. Tucker (Architect's fees)	\$20,607.50
Ralph Whitman (Appraisal of Property)	20.00

Total	<u>\$20,627.50</u>
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Peters High School Painting

Fayville Hall Repairs

Painting	\$1,980.00
Repairs	28.85
New Equipment	831.10

Total	<u>\$7,279.77</u>
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Marlboro Road Extension

Salaries and Wages

Superintendent	\$82.08
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Labor	278.68
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Pipe and Fittings	573.28
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Hired Equipment	101.00
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Hydrant	155.42
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Gravel	7.50
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Total	<u>\$1,197.96</u>
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Boston Road Extension

Salaries and Wages

Superintendent	\$82.08
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Labor	371.41
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Pipe and Fittings	256.84
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Hydrant	155.42
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Supplies	5.50
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Hired Equipment	96.70
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Total	<u>\$967.95</u>
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Southville Drainage

Salaries and Wages

Superintendent	\$33.96
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Labor	94.84
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Sand	6.38
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Man Holes	55.50
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Total	<u>\$190.68</u>
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New Highway Sandspreader

E. J. Bleiler Equipment Co.

(1 Jet Model 5 cu. yds. installed)

\$1,398.00

Expended
1953

Chapter 90 Maintenance — Oak Hill Drainage

Salaries and Wages	\$179.57
Superintendent	591.61
Labor	1,856.98
Culvert	234.00
Hired Equipment	327.00
Equipment Rentals	

Total	\$3,189.16
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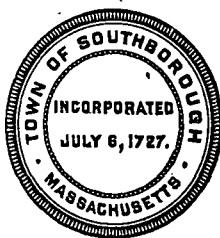
The following does not come under a Warrant Article Budget. It is a report of money spent in 1953 for the Tornado Emergency.

Tornado Emergency

Police — Southboro	\$2,184.00
Police — Other Towns	497.00
Labor	3,626.77
Equipment and Supplies	2,562.73
Meals	571.66
Gas and Oil	400.24
Hired Equipment	23,525.58
Clerical	30.45
Traffic Signs	6.50

Total	\$33,404.93
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Southborough, Massachusetts

For the Year Ending December 31

1953

SOUTHBOROUGH PRINT SHOP

TOWN OF SOUTHBOROUGH, MASSACHUSETTS
INCORPORATED JULY 6, 1727

Population 2939

Voters 1575

STATE AND COUNTY OFFICERS FOR 1953

Governor, Christian A. Herter

Lieutenant Governor, Sumner G. Whittier

Secretary, Edward J. Cronin

Treasurer, Foster Furcolo

Auditor, Thomas J. Buckley

Attorney General, George Fingold

Senators in Congress, Leverett Saltonstall, Joseph F. Kennedy

Representative in Congress, Fourth District, Harold Donahue

Councillor, Seventh District, Gabriel G. Morze

Representative in General Court, Alfred Cenadella, Jr.

Representative in General Court, Ninth Worcester District,
Gladys Crockett — Upton William P. DiVitto — Milford

County Commissioners, Francis E. Cassidy, Webster, Edward
P. Bird, Fitchburg, Joseph A. Asepro, Worcester

District Attorney, Alfred Cenadella, Milford

Clerk of Courts, Philip S. Smith

Registrar of Deeds, Robert R. Gallagher, Worcester

County Treasurer, Alexander C. Lajoie, Worcester

TOWN WARRANT
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Worcester ss.

February 1, 1954

To either of the Constables of the Town of Southborough,

Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the Inhabitants of the Town of Southborough, qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs, to meet in the Town House in said Southborough, on

Monday evening, March 8, 1954

at seven o'clock, then and there to take action on the following articles: —

Article 1. To hear the reports of the various Town Officers and Committees and take such action thereon, as the Town may vote.

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote to fix, for the calendar year, 1954, the salary and compensation of all elective officers of the Town as provided by Section 108 of Chapter 41 of the General Laws as amended, which officers are as follows: —

One Moderator, One Town Clerk, One Treasurer, One Town Collector, Three Selectmen, Three Assessors, Three members of the Board of Public Welfare, Three members of the School Committee, Three Cemetery Commissioners, Three members of the Board of Health, Three Water Commissioners, and One Tree Warden.

It is recommended that the salaries of the elective officers of the Town be fixed as follows:

Moderator	\$25.00	Welfare Comm. (3)	\$150.00
Town Clerk	500.00	School Committee (3)	300.00
Treasurer	500.00	Cemetery Comm. (3)	75.00
Town Collector	900.00	Water Comm. (3)	100.00
Selectmen (3)	750.00	Board of Health (3)	150.00
Assessors (3)	975.00	Tree Warden	25.00

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,450.00, or such other sum of money as may be necessary, to pay the salaries of all elective Town officers, or do or act thereon.

It is recommended that the sum of \$4,450.00 be raised and appropriated.

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to raise such sums of money as may be necessary for the Town's use and make appropriation of the same, or do or act anything in relation thereto.

Under this Article come all the appropriations for the General Government of the Town. The recommendations of the Advisory Committee are shown in the tabulated form and are included as part of the annual report.

Article 5. To see if the Town will authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1954, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17 Chapter 44 of the General Laws, as amended, and pass any vote or take any action in relation thereto.

It is recommended that authority be given.

Article 6. To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Assessors, to use free cash in the Town Treasury, and if so, what sum, for the purpose of reducing the amount to be raised and assessed as taxes, in 1954, or pass any vote relative thereto.

Recommendation will be made from the Town House floor.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000.23 as required by the County Commissioners, to pay a portion of the expense of the Worcester County Retirement System, of which the Town is a member, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen.)

It is recommended that the sum of \$2,000.23 be raised and appropriated.

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Hundred fifty (\$450.00) Dollars for playground activities, managed under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Parent-Teachers Association.)

It is recommended that the sum of \$450.00 be raised and appropriated.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, to pay the cost of supervision, maintenance, and to supply water, in connection with the use of the Fay School swimming pool, by the Inhabitants of the Town, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen.)

It is recommended that the sum of \$500.00 be raised and appropriated.

Article 10. To see what disposition shall be made of the dog money.

It is recommended that the revenue obtained from the licensing of dogs (\$696.80) be used as part of the appropriation for the Library.

Article 11. To see if the Town will accept a contribution from Saint Mark's School, if any, and determine what disposition shall be made of the same, if accepted, or do or act anything in relation thereto.

It is recommended that the contribution be accepted and placed in the Town Treasury.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Hundred (\$400.00) Dollars for Private Tree Work, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Tree Warden.)

It is recommended that the sum of \$400.00 be raised and appropriated.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Fifty (\$250.00) Dollars to defray expenses of the Memorial Day exercises on May 30, 1954, under the auspices of the Bagley-Fay Post No. 161, American Legion, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Bagley-Fay Post No. 161, American Legion.)

It is recommended that the sum of \$250.00 be raised and appropriated.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Fifty (\$250.00) Dollars for the Memorial Day, May 30, 1954 observance exercises under the auspices of Choate Post 3276, Veterans of Foreign Wars, or do or act thereon. (Proposed by the Choate Post 3276, Veterans of Foreign Wars.)

It is recommended that the sum of \$250.00 be raised and appropriated.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the expenditure of the sum of Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars from the Cemetery Reserve Fund, to be used for the purchase of loam, the payment of labor, and the maintenance of the Old Burying Ground, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Cemetery Commissioners.)

It is recommended that the sum of \$500.00 be transferred from the Cemetery Reserve Fund.

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from any of its available funds, a sum of money for the purchase of a power-propelled-sidewalk snow-plow and accessories and equipment in connection therewith, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen and Superintendent of Streets.)

It is recommended that this Article be dismissed.

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty-five Hundred (\$3,500.00) Dollars for repairs and equipment for the Fayville Village Hall and the Fire Station at the rear thereof, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen and Fayville Hall Committee.)

It is recommended that the sum of \$2,000.00 be raised and appropriated.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-five Hundred (\$2,500.00) Dollars for the purpose of installing cement-post-cable fences on any of its Highways, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen and Superintendent of Streets.)

It is recommended that the sum of \$2,500.00 be raised and appropriated.

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$7,050.00 or transfer from any unappropriated available funds in the Treasury, for Chapter 81 Highways, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen and Superintendent of Streets.)

It is recommended that the sum of \$7,050.00 be raised and appropriated.

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury, the sum of \$12,925.00 for Chapter 81 Highways, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen and Superintendent of Streets.)

It is recommended that the sum of \$12,925.00 be transferred from the Excess and Deficiency Account.

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-five Hundred (\$2,500.00) Dollars for Chapter 90 construction, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen and Superintendent of Streets.)

It is recommended that the sum of \$2,500.00 be raised and appropriated.

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury, the sum of Seventy-five Hundred (\$7,500.00) Dollars for Chapter 90 construction, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen and Superintendent of Streets.)

It is recommended that the sum of \$7,500.00 be transferred from the Excess and Deficiency Account.

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand (\$1,000.00) Dollars for Chapter 90 maintenance, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen and Superintendent of Streets.)

It is recommended that the sum of \$1,000.00 be raised and appropriated.

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury, the sum of Two Thousand (\$2,000.00) Dollars for Chapter 90 maintenance or do or act anything in relation thereto.

It is recommended that the sum of \$2,000.00 be transferred from the Excess and Deficiency Account.

Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of Eleven Hundred Fifty (\$1,150.00) Dollars to be used by the Moth Superintendent to suppress or eliminate Dutch Elm Disease, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen.)

It is recommended that the sum of \$1,150.00 be raised and appropriated.

Article 26. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds in the Treasury, the sum of Thirteen Hundred (\$1,300.00) Dollars for the purchase of a new Highway pick-up truck, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen, to sell, turn in, or otherwise dispose of the 1948 Chevrolet pick-up truck, now used by the said Highway Department, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen and Superintendent of Streets.)

It is recommended that the sum of \$1,300.00 be raised and appropriated.

Article 27. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds in the Treasury, the sum of Forty-four Hundred (\$4,400.00) Dollars for the purchase of a new Highway dump truck, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen and Superintendent of Streets.)

It is recommended that this Article be dismissed.

Article 28. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury, the sum of Thirty-five Hundred (\$3,500.00) Dollars for Highway Equipment and Maintenance, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen and Superintendent of Streets.)

It is recommended that the sum of \$3,500.00 be raised and appropriated.

Article 29. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds in the Treasury, the sum of Sixty-five Hundred (\$6,500.00) Dollars for the purchase of a new tractor, with a front end loader, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen, to sell, turn in, or otherwise dispose of the 1948 Oliver tractor, now used by the Highway Department, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen and Superintendent of Streets.)

It is recommended that the sum of \$6,500.00 be transferred from the Road Machinery Fund.

Article 30. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds in the Treasury, the sum of Twenty-two Hundred (\$2,200.00) Dollars for the purchase of a new Police Cruiser, station-wagon type, and to transfer all gear, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen, to sell, turn in, or otherwise dispose of the 1952 Police Cruiser, now used by the Police Department, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen and Police Chief.)

It is recommended that the sum of \$2,200.00 be raised and appropriated and authorization be given the Board of Selectmen as stated.

Article 31. To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Section 97A of Chapter 41 of the General Laws, which provides for establishment of a police department and chief of police, appointed by the Board of Selectmen, with control of the police department in the chief of police, and providing further that the chief of police and no police officer shall be removed from office except for cause at a public hearing, or do or act anything in relation thereto.

Recommendation will be made at Town Meeting.

Article 32. To see if the Town will vote to raise and transfer the sum of Thirty-nine Hundred (\$3,900.00) Dollars for payment of the annual salary of the Chief of Police and take any action relating to the Chief of Police, or the Police Department, or do or act anything in relation thereto.

Refer to Budget Recommendation on Police Department for recommendation on this Article.

Article 33. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury, the sum of Four Hundred Fifty (\$450.00) Dollars, to install two hundred eighty-five feet (285') of drainage at the corner of Main Street and Cordaville Road, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen and Superintendent of Streets.)

It is recommended that the sum of \$450.00 be raised and appropriated.

Article 34. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eight Thousand (\$8,000.00) Dollars to install a new drainage system adequate to drain the Mooney Memorial Field and the land to the south thereof and to acquire by gift, eminent domain, or purchase, such interests in land as may be necessary for such purposes, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire such interest as they may deem necessary by eminent domain or otherwise, and to enter into such contracts and agreements as may be necessary to accomplish such purpose, or do or act anything in relation thereto.

It is recommended that this Article be dismissed.

Article 35. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Fifteen Hundred (\$1,500.00) Dollars for the repair of

the surface of the White Bagley Road bridge over the right of way of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad, such repair to be made in accordance with the provisions of the statutes, or do or act anything in relation thereto.

It is recommended that the sum of \$1,500.00 be raised and appropriated.

Article 36. To see if the Town will vote to accept from Albert Phillipo or Carl Hempel or whoever may be the owner of a certain parcel of land at the easterly end of Learned Street, or do or act anything in relation thereto.

It is recommended that the land be accepted.

Article 36A. To see if the Town will vote to accept a new street, in Fayville, as laid out by the Selectmen and in accordance with the plan and lay out now on file in the Town Clerk's office, which proposed new street runs approximately one hundred twenty-five feet in a southerly direction from the southerly end of Learned Street, or do or act anything in relation thereto.

It is recommended that the new street be accepted.

Article 37. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from any of its available funds, the sum of Five Hundred Sixty (\$560.00) Dollars to be paid to Mrs. Howard Lincoln for land on both sides of Southville Road taken from her by eminent domain, for the purpose of reconstructing and widening said Southville Road, or do or act anything in relation thereto.

It is recommended that this Article be dismissed.

Article 38. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from any of its available funds, the sum of Thirty (\$30.00) Dollars to pay the claim of Ralph A. Williams of Sherborne, for damage to his automobile sustained as a result of an alleged defect in Oak Hill Road, or do or act anything in relation thereto.

It is recommended that the sum of \$30.00 be raised and appropriated.

Article 39. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from any of its available funds, the sum of Eighteen (\$18.00) Dollars to pay the claim of Albert E. Kilham of Framingham, for damage to his automobile sustained as a result of an alleged defect in Oak Hill Road, or do or act anything in relation thereto.

It is recommended that the sum of \$18.00 be raised and appropriated.

Article 40. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from any of its available funds, Three Hundred (\$300.00) Dollars to pay the cost of the 1955 State Census, or do or act anything in relation thereto.

It is recommended that the sum of \$300.00 be raised and appropriated.

Article 41. To see if the Town will vote to rescind the action taken under Article 3 of the Warrant for the Special Town Meeting of September 21, 1953, relative to the authority of the Selectmen to negotiate with Aronson Brothers and to acquire an interest in certain land on Parkerville Road to be used as a dump, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen.)

It is recommended that the Town vote to rescind the action taken as above.

Article 42. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from any of its available funds, a sum of money for the purpose of acquiring land or an interest therein for the purposes of a Town Dump and to authorize the Selectmen to negotiate for and acquire such land or interest therein and to enter into contracts and agreements for said purposes, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen.)

It is recommended that favorable action be taken pending amounts of money involved. Amounts are unknown and as a result final recommendation will be made at Town Meeting.

Article 43. To see if the Town will vote to accept from Joseph J. and Anna M. Trioli a certain parcel of land lying westerly of the westerly end of Brook Lane in the Fayville

section of Southborough, containing approximately twelve thousand square feet and running six hundred feet in a westerly direction from the westerly end of Brook Lane and being more particularly described in a deed from the said Triolis to the Town of Southborough, now on file in the office of the Town Clerk, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by Joseph Trioli et al.)

It is recommended that the land be accepted.

Article 44. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eighteen Hundred (\$1,800.00) Dollars to extend the water main in Brook Lane westerly from the end of the present water main therein for a distance of three hundred feet; said extension to be paid for at an annual rate of five per cent (5%) of the cost of construction for twenty (20) years and in such other manner and on such other terms and agreements as the Town may impose, by its vote, or as may be imposed by the Board of Water Commissioners, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by Joseph Trioli et al.)

Recommendation will be made at Town Meeting.

Article 45. To see if the Town will vote to accept a new street in Fayville as laid out by the Selectmen and in accordance with the plans and lay out now on file in the Clerk's office, which proposed new street runs approximately three hundred feet in a westerly direction from the westerly end of Brook Lane and to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of establishing suitable and proper grades thereof and for the further purpose of installing adequate drainage in said street and in the area in the vicinity thereof, or do or act anything thereon. (Proposed by Joseph Trioli et al.)

It is recommended that the new street be accepted providing it is acceptable to the Selectmen and providing that no money is to be appropriated by the Town to establish grades and to install drainage.

Article 46. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury, Seventy-eight Hundred (\$7,800.00) Dollars to extend the water main on Boston Road, easterly from the easterly terminus of the present Water Main for a distance of approxi-

maely 1,805 feet, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by Walter B. Brewer and Eleven others.)

Recommendation will be made at Town Meeting.

Article 47. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, the sum of Fifty-five Hundred Dollars (\$5,500.00) or any other sum of money to be used for the purchase of a tractor mounted back hoe with front end loader for the Water Department, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Water Commissioners.)

Recommendation will be made at Town Meeting.

Article 48. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the following by-law in connection with the size of building lots within the Town or to adopt any other by-law relating to ARTICLE IXC, the same subject matter:

"ARTICLE IXC.

Section 1. In order to promote the health, safety, convenience, morals and welfare of the Town of Southborough, and for the purpose of lessening congestion in the streets, or secure safety from fire, panic, and other dangers, to provide adequate light and air, to prevent overcrowding of land, to avoid undue concentration of population, to facilitate adequate provision of transportation, water, sewerage, schools, and parks, and to increase the amenities of the Town the following restrictions are hereby established on residence districts as hereinafter defined.

Section 2. Business and industrial districts shall be all areas of the Town which at the time this by-law goes into effect are devoted to business or industry other than farming, gardening or the conduct of a boarding or lodging house, and areas which are manifestly intended to be devoted to business or industry, and in addition thereto, areas of the same or substantially the same size across any street or way from such areas; land abutting on any railroad and within three hundred (300) feet from the monumented base line of such railroad; land abutting upon public highways known as Route 9 and Route 85 and within two hundred (200) feet thereof.

Section 3. All areas within the Town not described in the preceding section hereof shall be known as residence districts.

Section 4. In residence districts no lot of land shall be used for dwelling purposes unless such lot shall have a frontage on a public way of not less than one hundred and fifty (150) feet and shall contain at least fifteen thousand (15,000) square feet of land.

Section 5. No more than one (1) dwelling house shall be built upon or permitted to occupy any such lot in a residence district.

Section 6. No dwelling house shall be erected upon nor be permitted to occupy more than eight thousand (8,000) square feet of said lot in a residence district, but nothing herein contained shall prohibit the erection or occupancy on such lot or of any other part of said lot in addition to the space occupied by said dwelling house if such other building or structure is built upon or occupies a part of said lot for purposes directly connected with the use of said dwelling house.

Section 7. No dwelling house shall be erected upon nor be permitted to occupy less than one thousand (1,000) square feet of said lot in a residence district, but the term "dwelling house" as used in this section shall not include out-buildings to be used in connection herewith or as a part thereof." or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Planning Board.)

It is recommended that the By-Law be adopted.

Article 49. To see if the Town will vote to transfer to Excess and Deficiency Account and Road Machinery Fund the unexpended balances of certain special appropriations as follows:

To Excess and Deficiency Accounts

Legal (special appropriation)	\$139.50
Town Hall Heating System	8.07
Dutch Elm Disease Elimination	282.70
Tree Warden, Private Work	350.80
Fire and Police Resuscitator	57.00
Highway, Grading John Street	83.34

Southville Drainage	9.32
P. H. S. Painting (Interior and Exterior)	1,414.14
New P. H. S. Flagpole	3.00
Water Department, Survey of land	50.00
Fayville Playground	39.62
Memorial Day, V. F. W.	8.36
Memorial Day, A. L.	12.37

\$2,458.22

To Road Machinery Fund:

New Highway Truck	\$1,118.63
New Highway Sandspreader	1,402.00

\$2,520.63

or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Town Accountant.

It is recommended that the sum of \$2,458.22 be transferred to the Excess and Deficiency Account and that the sum of \$2,520.63 be transferred to the Road Machinery Fund.

Article 50. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-four Hundred Dollars (\$2,400.00) to extend the water main in Marlboro Road northerly from the end of the present water main therein for a distance of five hundred fifty (550) feet; said extension to be paid for at an annual rate of five per cent (5%) of the cost of construction for twenty (20) years, and in such other manner and on such other terms and agreements as the Town may impose by its vote, or as may be imposed by the Board of Water Commissioners, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by Vincent Dunn.)

Recommendation will be made at Town Meeting.

Article 51. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or borrow, the sum of \$30,000.00 for the purpose of building a new Fire Station in Cordaville and for purchasing land upon which to erect the same, and to authorize any of its officers or committees to enter into agreements and contracts relative to the same, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Southborough Fire House Building Committee.)

It is recommended that this Article be dismissed.

Article 52. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars for the use of Civil Defense or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen.)

It is recommended that the sum of \$300.00 be raised and appropriated.

Article 53. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary for the purpose of building new sheds and store houses, said buildings to be used for housing Highway equipment and material, or do or act anything in relation thereto.

It is recommended that this Article be dismissed.

Article 54. "To see if the Town will vote to adopt the following By-Law, Article IV, Section 8-A:

THE SELECTMEN SHALL CAUSE A COPY OF THE WARRANT FOR EVERY SPECIAL TOWN MEETING TO BE DELIVERED TO EVERY OCCUPIED DWELLING IN THE TOWN NOT LATER THAN 5 DAYS PRECEDING SUCH SPECIAL TOWN MEETING or do or act anything in relation thereto." (Proposed by the Southborough Tax-payers' Association.)

It is recommended that the By-Law be adopted.

And to notify the Inhabitants of the First Precinct of the said Town of Southborough, qualified to vote in elections, to meet in the Town House in said Southborough, and the Inhabitants of the Second Precinct of the said Town, to meet in the South Union School, on

Monday, March 15, 1954

then and there at those places to bring in their votes to the Election Officers at the respective precincts for Moderator for a term of one year, for Treasurer, for a term of one year, for Town Clerk, for a term of three years, for one member of the Board of Selectmen, for a term of three years, for one member of the Board of Assessors for a term of three years, for one member of the Board of Public Welfare, for a term of three years, for one member of the School Committee, for a term of

three years, for one member of the School Committee, for a term of one year, for one member of the Cemetery Commission, for a term of three years, for one member of the Board of Health, for a term of three years, for one member of the Board of Water Commissioners, for a term of three years, for two members of the Board of Library Trustees, for a term of three years, for one member of the Planning Board, for a term of five years, for one member of the Planning Board, for a term of four years, for Tree Warden, for a term of one year.

The Polls in each precinct will be open at eight o'clock in the morning and will be closed at eight o'clock in the evening of said day.

And you are to give notice hereof, by posting true and attested copies of the Warrant, at the Town Hall, Fayville Hall, all the railroad stations in the Town, the Post Offices in Southborough, Fayville, Cordaville, and Southville, and at the South Union School, seven days, at least, before the time appointed for such meeting.

Given under our hand this First day of February, in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred fifty-four and in the one hundred seventy-eighth year of the Independence of the United States of America.

A true copy

Attest:

Constable

ARTHUR PERHAM

ARTHUR L. HOSMER

JOHN HILL

Board of Selectmen.

REPORT OF THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

During the year 1953 your Advisory Committee has met frequently with the various boards and committees which make up the official Town family of Southboro. We wish to thank all for their wholehearted cooperation with our committee and also for the many courtesies extended by all concerned.

For a more detailed report we refer you to our tabulated form report.

From a Reserve Fund of \$3,000.00 a total of \$475.40 has been transferred for unforeseen expenditures. The balance of \$2,524.60 has been returned to the Excess and Deficiency Account.

We submit an accounting of the following transfers:

Town Treasurer	\$209.00
Board of Health	25.00
Fay Library	140.00
Fayville Town Hall	101.40
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	\$475.40

We wish to note that all departments of the town have exercised caution in their expenditures during the year 1953. They have operated within the approved budget and have been conscientious and diligent in affairs concerning the Town.

Respectfully submitted,

Advisory Committee.

FREDERICK E. CLAFLIN, Chairman

TOWN OFFICERS — 1953

MODERATOR

Edward V. Chaput Term expires March, 1954

TREASURER

John M. Carman Term expires March, 1954

TOWN CLERK

John J. Rabeni Term expires March, 1954

TOWN COLLECTOR

Marjorie F. McDonald Term expires March, 1956

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Arthur Perham Term expires March, 1954

Arthur Hosmer Term expires March, 1955

John Hill Term expires March, 1956

BOARD OF ASSESSORS

Ralph H. Clark Term expires March, 1954

Herbert E. Banfill Term expires March, 1955

William N. Davis Term expires March, 1956

BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

Annette H. Deer Term expires March, 1954

Edward W. Borst Term expires March, 1955

Ruth W. Harrington Term expires March, 1956

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

David W. Aldrich Term expires March, 1954

Katherine O. Allen Term expires March, 1955

(To fill vacancy)

Howard P. Norcross Term expires March, 1956

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

Edward C. Ramsdell Term expires March, 1954

John J. O'Reilly Term expires March, 1955

Charles E. Corbett Term expires March, 1956

BOARD OF HEALTH

Timothy P. Stone, M. D. Term expires March, 1954

Sophia Coleman, R. N. Term expires March, 1955

Theodore H. Ingalls, M. D. Term expires March, 1956

WATER COMMISSIONERS

Walter J. Norton	Term expires March, 1954
Clarence E. Baker	Term expires March, 1955
George A. Mooney	Term expires March, 1956

TRUSTEES OF LIBRARY

James A. Higgiston	Term expires March, 1954
M. Darah Fine	Term expires March, 1954
Hazel P. Burke	Term expires March, 1955
Harrison L. Reinke	Term expires March, 1955
Anne S. Bradley	Term expires March, 1956
Emmy Lou Priest	Term expires March, 1956

ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Frederick E. Claffin	Term expires March, 1954
J. Franklin Millea	Term expires March, 1955
Charles F. McNeil	Term expires March, 1955
Charles S. Barton	Term expires March, 1956
Edward J. Phair	Term expires March, 1956

PLANNING BOARD

James J. Trioli	Term expires March, 1954
Charles E. Thomas	Term expires March, 1955
Cameron Bradley	Term expires March, 1956
Homer L. Bates	Term expires March, 1957
Philip C. Beals (To fill vacancy)	Term expires March, 1958

TREE WARDEN

William H. Onthank	Term expires March, 1954
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Appointments by Selectmen

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

Sereno W. Johnson	Term expires March, 1954
John H. Maley	Term expires March, 1955
Mildred E. Stivers	Term expires March, 1956

The following appointments expire March, 1953

CLERK TO THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Mary J. Firmin

CHIEF OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

John W. Boland

FOREST WARDEN

John W. Boland

SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS

Louis Pessini

TOWN COUNSEL

Alfred W. Howes

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Candido A. Torcoletti

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

William H. Onthank

MOTH SUPERINTENDENT

William H. Onthank

INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTERING

Serenio W. Johnson

DOG OFFICER

Peter V. Johnson

VETERANS' AGENT AND BURIAL AGENT

Edward C. Brock

ELECTION OFFICERS

PRECINCT ONE

William H. Onthank
Ellen A. Boland
Pearl H. Ruggles
Mary E. McCann
Nora F. Roche
Jesse W. Collins
Grace Newton
Elizabeth B. Maley
Charlotte M. Russell
Margaret R. Connors
Angeline B. Mattioli
Ann H. Falconi
Josephine E. Colleary
Marjorie N. Spurr
Regeanne Corbett

PRECINCT TWO

Joseph F. Cummings, Sr.
Hazel R. Holmes
Rita A. Quinn
Alice L. Twombly
Edith E. Boutillier
Mary L. McNeil
Jesse F. Cole
Charles F. McNeil
Fred J. Sanchioni
Ann B. McClard
Marguerite Fitzgerald
Alfreda O'Connell

TOWN HALL CUSTODIAN

Thomas A. McCarthy

CHIEF OF POLICE

Frederick J. Sanchioni

REGULAR POLICE

Charles F. Hamel

Edward F. Brock

William La Count

Allison R. Booth

Thomas Young

Howard E. Tewksbury

Frank J. Mattioli

Edmund Bullard

Joseph Noberini

SPECIAL POLICE

Thomas A. McCarthy

Cameron Bradley

Edward W. Campbell

Francis E. Ramelli

POLICE WOMAN

Grace V. Barber

CONSTABLES

Frederick J. Sanchioni

Herbert E. Banfill

FIRE POLICE OFFICER

John V. Finn

PUBLIC WEIGHERS AND WEIGHERS OF COAL

Joseph Mauro

James Falconi

John Falconi

T. Frank Fitzgerald

Allison R. Booth

Ferdinand E. Bagley

Hamilton Armstrong

FENCE VIEWERS

Walter Brewer

Charles Fantony, Jr.

Henry Szretter

FIELD DRIVERS

Wallace Dyer

Joseph Baldelli

Ralph Johnson

FAYVILLE HALL COMMITTEE

Charles H. Nichols

Louis J. Baldelli

Joel Packard

POUND KEEPER

Joseph Mauro

DEPUTY POUND KEEPERS

Gerald Peck

T. F. Fitzgerald

Charles Corbett

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Department of Corporations and Taxation

Division of Accounts

State House, Boston 33

November 25, 1953

To the Board of Selectmen
Mr. Arthur Perham, Chairman
Southborough, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I submit herewith my report of an audit of the books and accounts of the town of Southborough for the period from November 14, 1951 to September 30, 1953, made in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44, General Laws. This is in the form of a report made to me by Mr. William Schwartz, Assistant Director of Accounts.

Very truly yours,

HERMAN B. DINE,
Director of Accounts.

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Mr. Herman B. Dine
Director of Accounts
Department of Corporations and Taxation
State House, Boston

Sir:

As directed by you, I have made an audit of the books and accounts of the town of Southborough for the period from November 14, 1951, the date of the previous examination, to September 30, 1953, and report thereon as follows:

The records of financial transactions of the several departments receiving or disbursing money for the town or com-

mitting bills for collection were examined, checked, and verified by comparison with the reports and records of the town treasurer and the accountant.

The appropriations and transfers voted by the town were listed from the town clerk's records and were checked with the accountant's appropriation accounts, while the recorded transfers from the reserve fund were verified by comparison with the records of the finance committee. The accountant's ledgers were analyzed, and, after the necessary adjustments were made, a balance sheet showing the financial condition of the town on September 30, 1953 was prepared and is appended to this report.

The books and accounts of the town treasurer were examined and checked. The cash book was footed, the receipts, as recorded, were analyzed and compared with the records of the several departments collecting money for the town and with other sources from which money was paid into the town treasury, while the payments were checked with the selectmen's warrants authorizing the treasurer to disburse town funds.

The cash balance on September 30, 1953 was proved by reconciliation of the bank balances with statements furnished by the banks of deposit, by examination of the savings bank book, and by actual count of the cash in the office.

The maturing debt and interest payments were verified by comparison with the amounts falling due during the period of the audit and with the cancelled securities on file.

The tax title deeds on hand were listed and the amounts transferred to the tax title account were verified.

The payroll deductions for Federal taxes, the retirement system, Blue Cross and Blue Shield, and highway machinery rentals were examined and checked, and the payments to the proper agencies were verified.

The savings bank books and securities representing the investment of the trust and investment funds in the custody of the town treasurer were examined and listed, the income and disbursements being proved and found to be properly recorded.

The books and accounts of the town collector were examined and checked. The taxes and motor vehicle and trailer excise

outstanding at the time of the previous audit, as well as all subsequent commitments, were verified and audited. The recorded collections were checked with the treasurer's and the accountant's books, the abatements, as entered, were compared with the assessors' records of abatements granted, and the outstanding accounts were listed and reconciled with the accountant's ledger.

The records of departmental and water accounts receivable were examined. The commitments were verified, the recorded collections were proved with the payments to the treasurer, the abatements, as recorded, were compared with the departmental records of abatements granted, and the outstanding accounts were listed and reconciled with the controlling accounts in the accountant's ledger.

The outstanding accounts were further verified by mailing notices to a number of persons whose names appeared on the books as owing money to the town, the replies received thereto indicating that the accounts, as listed, are correct.

The balance sheet shows small amounts of taxes and motor vehicle and trailer excise outstanding back to 1948. It is recommended that a prompt settlement of these accounts be obtained.

In order to reconcile the water commitment and cash books, it was necessary to make a detailed check of all postings. It is urged that these books be proved at the end of each quarter so that any clerical errors may be promptly found and corrected.

The records of the selectmen, the town clerk, and the health department pertaining to licenses and permits issued, were examined and checked, and the payments to the State and the town were verified.

The surety bonds for the various town officials required by law to furnish them were examined and found to be in proper form.

In addition to the department mentioned, the books and accounts of the sealer of weights and measures, and the police, highway, public welfare, veterans' services, school, library, and cemetery departments were examined and checked, the payments to the treasurer being verified.

Appended to this report, in addition to the balance sheet, are tables showing reconciliations of the treasurer's and town collector's cash, summaries of the tax, excise, and departmental accounts, as well as tables showing the transactions and condition of the trust and investment funds.

During the progress of the audit cooperation was received from the various town officials, for which, on behalf of my assistants and for myself, I wish to express appreciation.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM SCHWARTZ,
Assistant Director of Accounts.

A true copy
Attest:

JOHN J. RABENI,
Town Clerk.

**REPORT OF THE TOWN ACCOUNTANT
YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1953**

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen,
Southboro, Mass.

Gentlemen:

I respectfully submit herewith the annual report of financial operations of the town as of December 31, 1953.

Attached herewith are the following statements and schedules:

- Balance Sheet
- Debt Statement
- Schedule of Receipts
- Expenditures and Balances
- Trust Funds
- Transfers
- Salary and Wage Schedule
- Schedule of Insurance

As a result of conservative expenditures of available funds by the various departments during the year, \$14,114.90 representing unexpended balances of appropriations was transferred to the Excess and Deficiency Account on December 31, 1953.

After taking into consideration transfers and adjustments totaling \$90,165.59 (as detailed in the report of transfers) made during the year 1953 which included \$40,382.25 for the proposed new school and \$16,000.00 considered by the Assessors in fixing the 1953 tax rate, the Excess and Deficiency Account showed a balance of \$66,348.15 which, after deducting outstanding taxes in the amount of \$21,376.94 showed a balance of free cash of \$44,971.21 which has been certified by the Massachusetts Department of Corporations and Taxation Division of Accounts. Such balance compares with a balance of free cash at January 1, 1953 of \$97,146.65.

In view of the relatively heavy drain made on the Surplus Account during the year, it would appear that careful consideration should be given to further large appropriations from Surplus funds in these comparatively good times.

In sincerely thank the Selectmen, Town Officers and Department Heads for their continued cooperation during the year.

FRED BAKER,
Town Accountant.

BALANCE SHEET, DECEMBER 31, 1953

ASSET ACCOUNTS

Cash Balance	\$119,949.95
Accounts Receivable:	
Taxes:	
1948 Poll	\$4.00
1951 Poll	4.00
1951 Personal	4.76
1951 Real Estate	48.50
1952 Poll	4.00
1952 Personal	374.67
1952 Real Estate	3,585.72
1953 Poll	100.00
1953 Personal	3,272.20
1953 Real Estate	13,979.09
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	\$21,376.94
Motor Vehicle Excise	
1948	\$2.22
1949	6.13
1950	24.63
1951	175.55
1952	645.04
1953	5,223.60
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	\$6,077.17
Tax Titles	\$226.01
Departmental:	
Town Hall	\$22.35
Fayville Hall	111.25
Welfare	684.67
Disability Assistance	34.66

LIABILITY ACCOUNTS

Dog License Collections for County	\$31.00
Overestimated Appropriations:	
County Tax	\$490.81
County T. B. Hospital	2,406.78
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	\$2,897.59
Trust Fund Income:	
Wilson Charity Fund	\$435.00
Bacon Fund	1,457.51
Winchester Fund	1,532.84
Clapp Fund	57.43
Fay Library Fund	110.65
Cemetery Fund	14.18
Newell Fund	607.75
Eames Fund	8.50
Brigham Fund	2.70
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	\$4,226.56
Town Sheds Fire Less Remittance	\$1,600.44
School Lunch	344.26
School Athletic Account	1.98
Newell Fund — Proceeds of Stock Rights	58.70
Old Age Assistance Recoveries	1,835.47
Federal Grants — Balances:	
Aid to Dependent Children	\$2,742.02
Aid to Dependent Children Adm.	167.40
Old Age Assistance	11,244.95
Old Age Assistance Adm.	838.27
Disability Assistance	717.02
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BALANCE SHEET — Continued

Aid to Dependent Children 492.53
 Old Age Assistance 260.00
 Veterans' Services 530.10
 School 530.71
 Cemetery 484.50

\$3,150.77

Aid to Highways:

State:
 Chapter No. 81 \$6,717.00
 Chapter No. 90 Construction 4,000.00
 Chapter No. 90 Maintenance 800.00
 Chapter No. 90 Maintenance, Oak Hill 1,600.00

County:
 Chapter No. 90 Construction \$2,000.00
 Chapter No. 90 Maintenance 800.00
 Chapter No. 90 Maintenance Oak Hill 800.00

\$16,717.00

Water:
 Rates \$11,890.08
 Services 569.93
 Liens 19.87

\$12,479.88

Underestimated Appropriation:

Assessment State Parks 142.41

Tornado Emergency Expenditures Under Authority of Sec. No. 31 Chap. No. 44 G. L. 33,404.93

Dog Officer — Care and Destruction of Dogs (To be reimbursed by County) 93.00

Appropriation Balances \$15,709.66
 (Warrant Articles) \$29,885.39
 New Loans Authorized and Unissued 610,000.00
 New Elementary School 31,872.50
 Purchase of Land for School 17,000.00
 Revenue Reserved Until Collected:

Motor Vehicle \$6,077.17
 Tax Title 226.01
 Departmental 3,150.77
 State & County Aid to Highways 16,717.00
 Water Department 12,479.88

\$38,650.83

Reserves and Surplus:

Overlay Reserves for Abatements:
 1948 \$4.00
 1951 48.26
 1952 1,139.95
 1953 1,979.80

\$3,172.01

Cemetery Reserve 1,088.84
 Overlay Reserve 7,430.54
 Water Surplus 13,599.89
 Road Machinery Fund 4,482.00

\$29,773.28

Excess and Deficiency 66,348.15

Due from Rehabilitation Fund
New Loans Authorized

26,617.75
610,000.00

\$850,235.81

\$850,235.81

DEBT STATEMENT

	Outstanding 1-1-54	Paid 1953	Outstanding 1-1-54	Due in 1954	Rate	Interest Due 1953	Interest Payable	Principal Due
Town Water Loan (1930)	\$70,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$60,000.00	\$10,000.00	4 %	\$1,200.00	1-1-54	
						1,200.00	7-1-54	7-1-54
Fayville Water Loan (1930)	8,000.00	2,000.00	6,000.00	2,000.00	4 3/4 %	142.50	4-1-54	
						142.50	10-1-54	10-1-54

SCHEDULE OF RECEIPTS

GENERAL REVENUE

Taxes — Levy of 1953

Poll	\$1,510.00
Personal	19,459.16
Real Estate	152,740.11
Motor Excise	21,291.72
Interest and Costs	57.18

\$195,058.17

Taxes — Levy of 1952

Poll	\$36.58
Personal	837.41
Real Estate	10,951.89
Motor Excise	3,683.89
Interest and Costs	187.62

\$15,697.39

Taxes — Levy of 1951

Personal	\$25.00
Real Estate	629.50
Motor Excise	7.03
Interest	6.39

\$667.92

Taxes — Levy of 1950

Poll	\$4.00
Real Estate	2.82
Motor Excise	2.21
Costs70

\$9.73

Taxes — Levy of 1949

Motor Excise	\$6.00
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Commonwealth of Massachusetts:

M. D. C. in Lieu of Taxes	\$4,406.25
Meal Tax — Old Age Assistance	1,369.56
Income Tax	10,886.79
Corporation Tax	14,560.97

\$31,223.57

Licenses and Permits:

Liquor and Entertainment	\$348.00
Firearms	25.00
Auctioneer	2.00
Pedlers	24.00
Slaughter	2.00
Junk	30.00

\$431.00

Court Fines

\$285.00

Grants:**Federal Government:**

Old Age Assistance	\$15,727.34
Aid to Dependent Children	3,387.39
Disability Assistance	786.60

\$19,901.33

State:

Vocational Education (Chap. No. 74 G. L.)	\$1,855.11
School Transportation (Chap No. 71 G. L.)	8,249.80
For School Expenses (Chap No. 70 G. L.)	20,760.97

\$30,865.88

Youth Service Board	\$340.93
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County:

Dog License	\$631.87
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Gift:

St. Mark's School	\$2,700.00
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All Other:

Insurance Co. Remittance for Light- ning Damage to H. S. Flag Pole	\$325.00
Commonwealth of Massachusetts — Tornado Relief	\$3,645.82
Sale of Scrap and Supplies	343.05
Insurance Co. Remittances for Damage to Town Property	150.00

\$4,463.87

Total General Revenue	\$302,282.66
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COMMERCIAL REVENUE**Rentals:**

Town Hall	\$48.00
Fayville Hall	176.42

\$224.42

Protection of Persons and Property:

Police — Payroll Protection	\$99.00
Sealer of Weights and Measures	91.30

\$190.30

Services of Dog Officer	\$197.00
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Health:

From State: Subsidy on T. B. Patients	\$119.29
License Fees	31.00

\$150.29

Highways — From State and County:

1952 Contracts:

Chapter No. 81	\$6,831.94
Chapter No. 90 Construction	7,500.00
Chapter No. 90 Maintenance	1,599.00

\$15,930.94

1953 Contracts:

Chapter No. 81	\$6,208.00
Equipment Rentals:	\$5,059.15

Welfare Reimbursements:

State:

Disability Assistance	\$853.28
Aid to Dependent Children	562.58
Old Age Assistance	10,886.52

\$12,302.38

Cities and Towns:

Welfare	\$55.56
Old Age Assistance	403.32

\$458.88

Recoveries, Old Age Assistance	\$2,492.82
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Veterans Services:

Commonwealth of Massachusetts	\$880.98
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Schools:

Lunch Receipts	\$7,673.23
Athletic Account Receipts	511.90

\$8,185.13

Library Fines	\$19.00
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Unclassified:

Commonwealth of Massachusetts Tor- nado Relief — Tax Abatements	\$5,113.60
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Water Department:

Metered Rates	\$28,213.00
Services	1,101.30
Miscellaneous	213.63
Liens	331.16
Interest	77.53

\$29,936.62

Cemetery:

Sale of Lots	\$340.00
Care of Lots	274.50
Sale of Obsolete Equipment	78.00
Burials	1,230.00
Foundations	132.00
Pereptual Care Deposits	1,157.50

Sale of Stock Rights	342.07	
		<u>\$3,554.07</u>
Total Commercial Revenue		\$90,903.58

NON REVENUE RECEIPTS

Income from Trust Fund Investments:

Frank G. Newell Fund	2,588.73
Wilson Charity Fund	60.00
Henry K. Winchester Fund	177.50
P. W. Rehabilitation Fund	253.12
John L. Bacon Fund	250.00
Fay Library Fund	44.80
Cemetery Trust Fund	506.11
Clarissa Clapp Charity Fund	57.43
Jonathan G. Eames Fund (Cemetery)	28.50

\$3,966.19

Agency Accounts — Payroll Deductions

Mass. Teachers Retirement	\$4,035.45
Withheld Taxes	19,782.46
Worcester County Retirement	1,766.44
Blue Cross	1,362.15

\$26,946.50

Dog License Collections for County

\$886.00

Refunds:

Taxes	\$80.00
General Departments	301.77
Public Service Enterprises	2,146.69

\$2,528.46

Total Non-Revenue Receipts \$34,327.15

Total Cash Receipts \$427,513.39

DEPARTMENTAL ACCOUNTS, 1953 EXPENDITURES AND BALANCES

Account	Total Available	Total Expenditure	Balance Held to Complete Projects	Unexpended Balances to E. and D.	Available for Transfer to E. and D.
Elected Officers Salaries	\$4,450.00	\$4,450.00			
Advisory Board	115.00	100.00		\$15.00	
Selectmen	2,082.40	2,074.35		8.05	
Accounting	1,600.00	1,563.20		36.80	
Treasurer	889.00	858.85		30.15	
Collector	1,264.40	1,238.64		25.76	
Assessors	766.00	727.54		38.46	
Legal	800.00	798.00		2.00	
Legal (special)	139.50				\$139.50
Legal (special)	2,925.00	2,925.00			
Town Clerk	440.56	263.03		177.53	
Election and Registration	1,555.00	1,353.69		201.31	
Planning Board	200.00	18.00		182.00	
Town Hall Maintenance	2,324.00	2,034.18	\$289.82		
Town Hall Heating System	181.07	173.00			8.07
Tax Title Expense	25.00	6.30		18.70	
Tornado Emergency		33,404.93*			
Police	6,685.00	6,684.94		.06	
Dog Officer		93.00**			
Fire Department Maintenance	3,183.00	2,996.77		186.23	
Fire Department Salaries	4,690.00	4,690.00			
Forest Fires and Equipment	1,290.00	1,023.76		266.24	
New Southville Fire House Comm.	100.00	30.00	70.00		
Moth Department	2,611.80	2,153.78		458.02	
Duth Elm Disease Elimination	1,150.00	867.30			282.70
Tree Warden	2,433.80	2,419.60		14.20	
Tree Warden Private Work	400.00	49.20			350.80
Sealer of Weights and Measures	148.00	138.70		9.30	

Civil Defense	358.57		358.57	
Fire and Police Dept. Resuscitator	600.00	543.00		57.00
Board of Health	2,817.50	2,798.42		19.08
Health Agent 1952 Salary and Expenses	110.00	110.00		
Inspector of Animals	125.00	124.94		.06
Street Lights	6,233.58	6,018.50		215.08
Highway—Equipment and Maintenance	3,635.00	3,596.90		38.10
Special Maintenance	5,574.00	5,461.27		112.73
Snow Removal	7,246.36	5,713.30		1,533.06
Sidewalks	600.00	598.52		1.48
Chapter No. 81	19,975.00	19,917.46		57.54
Chapter No. 90 Construction	8,000.00	6,583.64	1,416.36	
Chapter No. 90 Construction 1952 Contract	2,472.03	2,461.70		10.33
Chapter No. 90 Maintenance	2,400.00	2,391.20		8.80
Grading John St.	83.34			83.34
New Highway Truck	13,500.00	12,381.37	(To Road Machinery Fund)	1,118.63
New Highway Sandspreader	2,800.00	1,398.00	(To Road Machinery Fund)	1,402.00
Cable Fences	2,500.00	2,473.42		26.58
Wage Increase	630.00	458.21		171.79
Oak Hill Drainage	3,200.00	3,189.16		10.84
Southville Drainage	300.00	190.68	100.00	9.32
Public Welfare	2,300.00	1,052.96		1,247.04
Aid to Dependent Children	2,800.00	2,075.27		724.73
Old Age Assistance	25,000.00	22,837.23		2,162.77
Disability Assistance	2,200.00	1,656.54		543.46
Veterans Services	4,110.00	3,315.47		794.53
School Department	129,435.73	129,297.32		138.41
Vocational Education	4,072.00	2,728.95		1,343.05
P. H. S. Painting Account	8,500.00	7,085.86		1,414.14
New P. H. S. Flagpole	325.00	322.00		3.00
New Elementary School	52,500.00	20,627.50	31,872.50	
High School Building Comm.	5,611.96	197.21	5,414.75	

EXPENDITURES AND BALANCES — Continued

Libraries	4,691.65	4,628.79		62.86	
New Library Heater	3,640.00	2,750.00	890.00		
Water Department Maintenance	15,657.80	15,589.91		67.89	
Water Department Extensions:					
Walnut Drive	3,054.91	2,769.15	285.76		
Prentiss St.	1,675.00	1,653.79	21.21		
Boston Rd.	1,374.15	967.95	406.20		
Marlboro Rd.	1,395.00	1,197.96	197.04		
Southville Rd.	5,400.00		5,400.00		
Willow St.	1,180.59	256.60	923.99		
Breakneck Hill Rd.	230.54		230.54		
Parkaville Rd.	4,600.00		4,600.00		
Water Dept. Survey of Land	50.00				50.00
Reserve Fund	3,000.00	475.40		2,524.60	
Fayville Hall Maintenance	1,200.40	1,189.61		10.79	
Fayville Hall Repairs	3,041.20	2,839.95	201.25		
Town Reports	1,200.00	1,008.25		191.75	
Common and Town House Grounds	430.00	278.22		151.78	
Liability Insurance	5,364.37	5,273.62		90.75	
Swimming Pool	500.00	474.27		25.73	
Fayville Playground	520.62	481.00			39.62
George A. Mooney Field	575.00	573.98		1.02	
P. T. A. Playground	450.00	447.91		2.09	
So. Union School Playground	1,050.00	763.95	286.05		
Memorial Day — V. F. W.	250.00	241.64			8.36
Memorial Day — A. L.	250.00	237.63			12.37
Town Dump	2,540.00	325.00	2,215.00		
Gasoline	2,800.00	2,661.23		138.77	
Cemetery Maintenance	7,870.00	7,863.95		6.05	
Old Cemetery	500.00	488.45		11.55	
Interest on Debt	3,180.00	3,180.00			
Debt Retirement	12,000.00	12,000.00			
Aid to Dependent Children U. S.					

Grants	4,117.72	1,375.70	2,742.02		
Aid to Dependent Children Adm. U. S. Grants	251.26	83.86	167.40		
Old Age Assistance U. S. Grants ..	20,265.98	9,021.03	11,244.95		
Old Age Assistance Adm. U. S. Grants	1,473.82	635.55	838.27		
Disability Assistance U. S. Grants	959.72	242.70	717.02		
Wilson Fund Income	435.00		435.00		
Bacon Fund Income	2,065.01	607.50	1,457.51		
Winchester Fund Income	1,896.53	363.69	1,532.84		
Clarissa Clapp Fund Income	57.43		57.43		
Fay Library Fund Income	128.51	17.86	110.65		
Cemetery Trust Fund Income	1,378.83	1,364.65	14.18		
Newell Trust Fund Income	3,011.33	2,403.58	607.75		
Jonathan Eames Fund Income	28.50	20.00	8.50		
Brigham Fund Income	41.21	38.51	2.70		
Land Damage account of relocation of Main St., Cordaville and Marlboro roads	1,500.00				1,500.00
	<u>\$489,745.68</u>	<u>\$427,534.60</u>	<u>\$75,115.26</u>	<u>\$14,114.90</u>	<u>\$6,478.85</u>

* Tornado Emergency Expenditures

** To be reimbursed by County

Note: Does not include expenditures from revolving funds and Trust Fund income.

TRUST FUNDS

Trust Fund Cash and Securities

\$122,102.65

J. Lowell Bacon Fund

\$10,000.00

Fay Library Fund

1,660.68

Wilson Charity Fund

1,000.00

Cemetery Trust Fund

39,315.00

Lucretia Brigham Fund

1,000.00

Frank G. Newell Fund

34,618.51

P. W. Rehabilitation Fund

26,778.32

Henry K. Winchester Fund

6,268.14

Clarissa Clapp Charity Fund

1,000.00

Jonathan G. Eames Fund

462.00

\$122,102.65

\$122,102.65

TRANSFERS

Transfers from Excess and Deficiency

To —

Tree Warden Private Work	\$400.00
Chapter No. 81 and No. 90 Highway Contracts Pending	
Reimbursement from State and County	20,525.00
Highway — Equipment and Maintenance	3,635.00
Health Agent 1952 Salary	110.00
Southville Drainage	300.00
Dump Site	1,040.00
Fire and Police Resuscitator	600.00
Addition Street Lights	72.00
Chapter No. 90 Maintenance, Oak Hill Drainage	3,200.00
High School Flag Pole	325.00
So. Union School Playground	1,050.00
Highway Wage Increase	630.00
To Reduce 1953 Tax Rate	16,000.00
New School (Chap. No. 44 Sec. No. 7	1,500.00
New School	40,382.25
State Auditors Adjustments	396.34
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	\$90,165.59

Transfers from Reserve Fund

To —

Treasurer's Account	\$209.00
Health	25.00
New Library Heater	140.00
Fayville Hall Maintenance	101.40
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	\$475.40

Transfers from Road Machinery Fund

To —

New Highway Truck	\$13,500.00
New Sandspreader (Article No. 19 3/ 9/53)	1,400.00
New Sandspreader (Article No. 9 9/21/53)	1,400.00
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	\$16,300.00

SALARY AND WAGE SCHEDULE — 1953

Moderator	\$25.00
Selectmen	750.00
Treasurer	500.00
Collector	900.00
Town Clerk	500.00
Assessors (3)	975.00
Overseers — Public Welfare (3)	150.00
School Committee	300.00
Cemetery Committee (3)	75.00
Board of Health (3)	150.00
Water Commissioners (3)	100.00
Tree Warden	25.00
Town Accountant	1,200.00
Town Hall Clerk, per hour	1.00
Town Counsel	300.00
Board of Registrars (4)	150.00
Election Officers, per hour	.85
Police Chief	365.00
Patrolmen, per hour	1.00
Officer, Fayville Crossing per hour	1.00
Dog Officer	100.00
Fire Chief	575.00
Fire Captains (2)	250.00
Fire Lieutenants (3)	345.00
Fire Clerks (2)	30.00
Privates (30)	3,000.00
Janitors (2)	490.00
Forest Fire Warden	50.00
Tree Warden, per hour	1.25 - 1.15
Moth Department	1.25 - 1.15
Sealer of Weights and Measures	100.00
Inspector of Animals	100.00
Health Department Agent	50.00
Inspector of Slaughtering	25.00
Superintendent of Streets	4,268.00
Highway Department Labor per hour	1.45 - 1.44 - 1.39
Veterans Agent	300.00
Welfare Agent	1,689.00
Welfare, Clerical, per hour	1.02
Janitors:	
Town Hall	1,000.00
Southboro School, per month	233.34
Fayville School	70.00

Southville School	150.00
Fayville Hall	500.00
Southboro Library	660.00
Southville Library	27.00
School Physician	300.00
School Dentist	50.00
School Attendance Officer	25.00
Librarian	1,850.00
Water Department Superintendent	4,268.00
Water Department Registrar, per hour	1.10
Water Department Labor, per hour	1.50
Cemetery Superintendent	3,600.00
Cemetery Labor	1.25

INSURANCE POLICIES

In the possession of the Town Accountant

American Insurance Co. — Policy covering sprinkler leakage at Peters High School and Annex.

American Insurance Co. — Policy covering fire loss on town buildings.

The Hartford Steam Boiler Inspection and Insurance Co. — Covering Boilers at:

Central Fire Station

Fayville Hall

Peters High School and Annex

Pumping Station

So. Union School

American Insurance Co. — Policy covering Auto fleet fire, theft and collision.

Travelers Insurance Co. — Policy covering public liability — public buildings.

Travelers Indemnity Co. — Policy covering Workmen's Compensation.

Travelers Insurance Co. — Policy covering robbery — Collector.

Travelers Indemnity Co. — Policy covering public liability and property damage — Fleet of Automotive equipment.

Aetna Casualty and Surety Co. — Policies covering safe burglary and robbery — Town Treasurer.

Aetna Life Insurance Co. — Firemens Insurance Co. — Firemen's Group Insurance.

REPORT OF THE TOWN COLLECTOR

Cemetery Department

Committed in 1953		\$4,073.31
Paid Treasurer	\$3,598.31	
Paid on Old Accounts	388.00	
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Paid for 1953	\$3,210.31	
Outstanding 1953 Accts.	863.00	
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		\$4,073.31

Selectmen

Outstanding	\$180.98	
Committed 1953	1,077.63	
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		\$1,258.61
Paid Treas.	981.52	
Paid Treasurer Direct	2.00	
Uncollected	275.09	
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		\$1,258.61

Welfare Department

Committed		\$3,536.91
Paid Direct to Treasurer	\$106.60	
Paid Treasurer	2,396.06	
Uncollected	1,034.25	
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		\$3,536.91

1950 Taxes

Outstanding 1952 Report		\$11.79
Paid Treasurer	\$7.79	
Abated	4.00	
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		\$11.79

1951 Taxes

Outstanding 1952 Report		\$795.79
Outstanding State Audit		39.50

1952 Taxes

Outstanding 1952 report		(\$16,035.93)
Outstanding State Audit	\$6,810.59	

Interest	72.17	
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	\$6,382.76	
Abated	342.00	
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		\$6,040.76
Paid Treasurer	\$2,404.62	
Outstanding	3,636.14	
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		\$6,040.76

1953 Taxes

Warrants Committed in 1953	\$198,932.36	
Interest	57.18	
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		\$198,989.54
Paid Treasurer	\$173,766.45	
Outstanding	17,379.84	
Abated	7,843.25	
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		\$198,989.54

MOTOR VEHICLE TAXES

1948 Motor Vehicle Taxes

Outstanding 1952 Report		\$2.82
To be abated		2.22

1949 Motor Vehicle Taxes

Outstanding 1952 Report		\$12.13
Paid Treasurer	\$6.00	
To be abated	4.13	
Uncollected	2.00	
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		\$12.13

1950 Motor Vehicle Taxes

Outstanding 1952 Report	\$26.84	
Outstanding State Audit	24.63	
Outstanding		\$24.63

1951 Motor Vehicle Tax (Excise)

Uncollected 1952 Report	\$191.58	
Outstanding State Audit	184.55	
Outstanding		\$184.55

1952 Motor Vehicle Tax (Excise)

Uncollected 1952 Report	\$2,539.52
Outstanding State Audit	705.96
Paid Treasurer	60.92

Outstanding \$645.04

1953 Motor Vehicle Tax (Excise)

Warrants in 1953	\$26,662.60
Paid Treasurer	\$21,292.22
Abated	156.95
Uncollected	5,213.67

	\$22,662.84
Refund	.24
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	\$22,662.60

Respectfully submitted

MARJORIE F. McDONALD,
Town Collector.

REPORT OF COLLECTOR FOR WATER DEPARTMENT

Services

Outstanding State Audit	\$521.18	
Committed after State Audit	373.77	
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		\$894.95
Paid Treasurer	\$637.38	
Outstanding	257.57	
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		\$894.95

List of Services Installed in 1953

Town of Southborough	\$3,750.00	Abated
Evelyn Littlefield	White Bagley Rd.	26.40
Earl Stringer	Oak Hill Rd.	64.67
Stanley McLeod	Oak Hill Rd.	45.40
Frederick Porter	Oak Hill Rd.	52.00
John Bartolini	Oak Hill Rd.	29.65
Edward G. Ramsdell	Prentiss St.	44.70
Lawrence Lamson	Mt. Vickory Rd.	45.40
William Boswell	Mt. Vickory Rd.	71.15
Asa Gray	Learned St.	39.65
Linwood Hammond	John St.	21.55
Shirley Cummings	Pearl St.	46.38
A. and M. Giombetti	Cordaville Rd.	57.65
Caesar Ghringhelli	Central St.	51.15
Arthur W. Smith	Oak Hill Rd.	53.63
Antonio Bartolini	Breakneck Hill Rd.	10.65
G. and E. White Jr.	Marlboro Rd.	39.00
Hazel E. Dunn	Marlboro Rd.	39.00
John F. Farricy	Southville Rd.	114.15
John Bartolini	Oak Hill Rd.	21.45
Chas. P. Harding	A Street	37.80
Mabel Hilditch	Middle Rd.	30.45
Charles Harding	Richards Rd.	28.05
Kristine Coldine	Newton St.	26.16
Kenneth F. Clarke, Jr.	John St.	27.06

Water Rates and Miscellaneous

Warrants in 1953	\$6,920.31	
	6,797.79	
	7,318.85	
	8,517.51	
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	\$29,954.46	
Outstanding State Audit	\$3,421.57	
October Warrant	8,517.51	
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		\$11,939.08
Paid Treasurer Rates and Miscellaneous	\$7,909.99	
Abated	16.31	
Outstanding	4,012.78	
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		\$11,939.08

Respectfully submitted,

MARJORIE F. McDONALD,
Town Collector.

REPORT OF THE TOWN TREASURER

To the Board of Selectmen
Town of Southboro, Mass.

I hereby submit the annual Report of the Town Treasurer for the year 1953:—

Cash Balance Jan. 1, 1953	\$186,503.40
Receipts from all Sources	427,577.86
Total available funds	\$614,081.26
Total Payments	494,130.09
Cash Balance Dec. 31, 1953	\$119,951.17
These funds are accounted for as follows:	
Peoples National Bank of Marlboro	\$20,755.45
First National Bank of Marlboro	82,438.33
Marlboro Savings Bank	1,164.78
Cash on Hand	15,592.61
	\$119,951.17

All trust funds are invested. Since March the Newell Trust Fund has been increased by the purchase of additional stocks from Newell Trust Income: also the Jonathan Goddard Eames Fund has been established.

Total payments for the year were \$107,634.41 greater than in 1952. The total number of warrants processed were 63 compared to 40 in 1952.

A State audit of the town books was made as of the close of business, September 30, 1953. Although no official report of this audit has been received by this office, an accounting was made and accepted for all cash funds.

Respectfully submitted,

J. M. CARMAN,
Town Treasurer.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

Proceedings of Town Election and Business Meetings

ANNUAL ELECTION — MARCH 16, 1953

The result of the voting as canvassed and counted by the Election Officers was as follows:

Moderator for one year:

James M. Daughan	251
Edward V. Chaput	430
Blanks	85

Treasurer for one year:

John M. Carman	586
Scattering	1
Blanks	179

Collector for three years:

Marjorie F. McDonald	589
Blanks	177

Selectman for three years:

John Hill	466
Kenneth V. Moyer	269
Scattering	1
Blanks	30

Assessor for three years:

William N. Davis	637
Blanks	129

Public Welfare three years:

Ruth W. Harrington	605
Blanks	161

Public Welfare two years:

Edward W. Borst	596
Blanks	170

School Committee for three years:

Katherine O. Allen	360
Howard P. Norcross	370
Blanks	36

Cemetery Commissioner for three years:

Charles E. Corbett	603
Blanks	163

Board of Health for three years:	
Theodore H. Ingalls	580
Scattering	1
Blanks	185
Water Commissioner for three years:	
George A. Mooney	568
Blanks	198
Water Commisioner one year:	
Walter J. Norton	563
Blanks	203
Library Trustee for three years:	
Anne S. Bradley	533
Emmy Lou Priest	531
Blanks	468
Library Trustee for one year:	
James A. Higgiston	566
Scattering	1
Blanks	199
Planning Board for five years:	
Scattering	231
Blanks	535
Planning Board three years:	
Cameron Bradley	22
Scattering	162
Blanks	582

JOHN J. RABENI,
Town Clerk.

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE
ANNUAL MEETING — MARCH 9, 1953

At the Annual Town Meeting of the Town of Southborough, duly called and held in the Town Hall on March 9, 1953, at which a quorum was present and acting, there appeared the following articles which were voted upon in legal manner.

The Town Clerk opened the meeting at 7:10 P. M.

In the absence of Moderator Earl G. Stringer, James M. Daughan was elected to act as Temporary Moderator. Alfred W. Howes, later assisted by Carl Lutender, was in charge of voters in the lower hall.

It was voted to dispense with the reading of the Warrant.

There were 506 voters present.

Article 1. To hear the reports of the various Town Officers and Committees and take such action thereon as the Town may vote.

It was voted to accept the report of the School Housing Committee, read by Chairman Harold A. Bauld.

It was unanimously voted to accept the report of the Regional School District Planning Committee, read by David W. Aldrich, and that the Committee be instructed to continue with their investigation.

Charles S. Barton, speaking for the Advisory Board, recommended that \$16,000.00 be taken from free cash, in order to hold the tax rate at the 1952 level. Figures were based on 1952 valuations.

It was voted to accept the report of the Highway Truck Committee, read by James M. Daughan.

It was unanimously voted to accept the report of the Firehouse Investigating Committee, read by Francis E. Wood. The Committee was instructed to continue to investigate the need of a new firehouse in the Southville-Cordaville section of town, and that the Chief of the Fire Department and the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen be added to the committee. The appropriation (\$100.00) made by vote taken under Article 28 of the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting of 1952, shall be available for the committee's use; said committee shall pre-

pare plans and specifications and determine the cost of said fire-station, and shall report its findings and recommendations to the next town meeting, either special or annual.

The report of the Town Shed Committee, read by Howard P. Norcross requested further time to study the problem. Said report was unanimously accepted.

The Dump Site Committee failed to report and was dismissed by the Moderator.

The Town Management Committee, failing to report, was also dismissed by the Moderator.

It was voted to accept the reports of the Town Officers as printed in the Town Report.

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote to fix for the calendar year, 1953, the salary and compensation of all elective officers of the Town as provided by Section 108 of Chapter 41 of the General Laws, as amended, which are as follows:

One Moderator, One Town Clerk, One Treasurer, One Town Collector, Three Selectmen, Three Assessors, Three members of the Board of Public Welfare, Three members of the School Committee, Three Cemetery Commissioners, Three members of the Board of Health, Three Water Commissioners, Six members of the Board of Library Trustees, Five members of the Planning Board, and One Tree Warden.

It was voted that the salaries and compensation of all elective officers of the Town be fixed as follows, for the calendar year 1953:

Moderator	\$25.00	School Committee (3)	\$300.00
Town Clerk	500.00	Cemetery Comm. (3)	75.00
Treasurer	500.00	Water Comm. (3)	100.00
Town Collector	900.00	Tree Warden	25.00
Selectmen (3)	750.00	Board of Health (3)	150.00
Assessors (3)	975.00		
Welfare Committee (3)	150.00		

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,450.00 or such other sum of money as may be necessary, to pay the salaries of all elective Town Officers, or do or act thereon.

Unanimously voted: In the words of the article.

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to raise such sums of money as may be necessary for the Town's use and make appropriation of the same, or do or act anything in relation thereto.

It was voted to raise and appropriate the following sums of money:

1.	Advisory Committee	\$115.00
2.	Selectmen	2,082.40
3.	Accounting	1,600.00
4.	Treasurer	680.00
5.	Collector	1,264.40
6.	Town Clerk	440.00
7.	Election and Registration	1,555.00
8.	Assessors	766.00
9.	Legal	800.00
10.	Town Hall	2,324.00
11.	Tax Title	25.00
12.	Police	6,685.00
13.	Fire Maintenance	3,183.00
14.	Fire Salaries	4,690.00
15.	Forest Fire	1,290.00
16.	Moth	2,611.80
17.	Tree Warden	2,433.80
18.	Sealer of Weights and Measures	148.00
19.	Board of Health	2,792.50
20.	Inspector of Animals	125.00
21.	Street Lights	6,161.58
22.	Highway Snow Removal	7,246.36
23.	Highway — Special Maintenance	5,574.00
24.	Highway (Sidewalks)	600.00
25.	General Relief	2,300.00
26.	Old Age Assistance	25,000.00
27.	Aid to Dependent Children	2,800.00
28.	Disability Assistance	2,200.00
29.	Veteran's Services	4,110.00
30.	School	129,435.73
31.	Vocational Education	4,072.00
32.	Revolving Athletic Fund	500.00
33.	Fay Library	4,059.78 (plus \$631.87 dog money)

34.	Water	15,657.80
35.	Reserve Fund (Transfer, overlay surplus)	3,000.00
36.	Fayville Hall	1,099.00
37.	Common and Town House Grounds	430.00
38.	Town Reports	1,200.00
39.	Insurance	5,364.37
40.	Planning Board	200.00
41.	Gasoline	2,800.00
42.	Cemetery	7,870.00
43.	Interest on Debt	3,180.00
44.	Debt Retirement	12,000.00
45.	Mooney Field	575.00
	Total Budget items raised by taxation	282,047.08
	Total Warrant Articles, by taxation	43,413.95
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	Total raised by taxation	\$323,461.03

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to petition the Legislature to enact House Bill No. 570, now pending before the Legislature, which Bill reads as follows: —

“AN ACT VALIDATING THE ACTS AND PROCEEDINGS AT SPECIAL TOWN MEETINGS OF THE TOWN OF SOUTHBOROUGH HELD IN APRIL, MAY AND JUNE, 1952.

“Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows: —

“Section 1. The action of the Special Town Meeting, held in the Town of Southborough, April 7, 1952, under which it was voted to appropriate five hundred thousand (\$500,000.00) dollars for the purpose of erecting and originally equipping a new elementary school building, and under which it was further voted to borrow five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000.00) for said purpose, is hereby validated and confirmed notwithstanding the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 7, requiring an appropriation from revenue funds, and not withstanding any vote or action taken at a Special Town Meeting held on May 26 and June 3, 1952.

"Section 2. This act shall become effective upon its passage," or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Town Counsel.)

The result of the vote, determined by ballot, was as follows:

Votes in favor — 242

Against — 200

Voted: That the meeting be adjourned to Monday, March 23, 1953 at 7:30 P. M.

ADJOURNED TOWN MEETING — MARCH 23, 1953

The Town Clerk opened the meeting at 7:35 P. M., at which a quorum was present.

Edward V. Chaput was elected Temporary Moderator.

Article 6. To see if the Town will authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1953, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44 of the General Laws, as amended, and pass any vote or take any action in relation thereto.

Voted: In the words of the article.

Article 7. Voted. That Article 7 be placed at end of Warrant.

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,338.95 as required by the County Commissioners, to pay a portion of the expense of the Worcester County Retirement System, of which the Town is a member, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen.)

Voted: In the words of the article.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$450.00 for playground activities, managed under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Parent-Teachers Association.)

Voted: In the words of the article.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen to pay the cost of supervision, maintenance, and to supply water, in connection with the use of the Fay School swimming pool, by the Inhabitants of the Town, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen.)

Voted: In the words of the article.

Article 11. To see what disposition shall be made of the dog money.

Voted: That the revenue of \$631.87 obtained from the licensing of dogs be used as part of the appropriation for the Fay Library.

Article 12. To see if the Town will accept a contribution from Saint Mark's School, if any, and determine what disposition shall be made of the same; if accepted, or do or act anything in relation thereto.

Voted: That the Town accept a contribution from Saint Mark's School, if any, and that the contribution shall be placed in the town treasury.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$400.00 for Private Tree Work, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Tree Warden.)

Voted: That the sum of \$400.00 be transferred from the Excess and Deficiency account.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$250.00 to defray expenses of the Memorial Day exercises on May 30, 1953, under the auspices of the Bagley Fay Post No. 161, American Legion, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Bagley-Fay Post No. 161, American Legion.)

Voted: In the words of the article.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$250.00 for the Memorial Day, May 30, 1953, observance exercises under the auspices of Choate Post 3276, Veterans of Foreign Wars, or do or act thereon. (Proposed by Choate Post 3276, Veterans of Foreign Wars.)

Voted: In the words of the article.

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the expenditure of the sum of \$500.00 from the Cemetery Reserve Fund, to be used for the purchase of loam, the payment of labor, and the maintenance of the Old Burying Ground, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Cemetery Commissioners.)

Voted: That the sum of \$500.00 be transferred from the Cemetery Reserve Fund for the purchase of loam, the payment of labor and the maintenance of the Old Burying Ground.

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from any of its available funds, a sum of money, for the purchase of an all-wheel-drive truck and snow plow, and to authorize the Selectmen to turn in, trade, sell, or otherwise dispose of the 1936 Autocar truck and snow plow, now owned by the Town, the proceeds of said turn in, trade, sale or other disposal to be used as a part of the purchase price of said all-wheel-drive truck and snow plow, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen and Superintendent of Streets.)

Voted: That the sum of \$13,500.00 be transferred from the Road Machinery Fund and the same be appropriated for the purchase of an all-wheel-drive truck and snow plow and other necessary equipment and accessories, the same to be purchased as per the specifications of Truck Committee, appointed at the Annual Town Meeting in March, 1952 and that the chairman of the truck committee, together with the chairman of the Board of Selectmen and the Superintendent of Streets, be authorized and instructed to acquire such truck and equipment and that the chairman of Truck Committee, the chairman of the Board of Selectmen and the Supt. of Streets be authorized to turn in, trade, sell or otherwise dispose of the 1936 Autocar truck and snow plow now owned by the Town and to apply the proceeds therefrom, toward the purchase price of said all-wheel-drive truck, snow plow and equipment.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from its available funds, a sum of money for the purchase of a power-propelled-sidewalk snow plow and accessories and equipment in connection therewith; or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Selectmen and Superintendent of Streets.)

Voted: To dismiss the article.

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from any of its available funds, a sum of money for the purchase of a sand spreader and accessories and equipment in connection therewith, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen and Supt. of Streets.)

Voted: That the sum of \$1,400.00 be transferred from the Road Machinery Fund and that the same be appropriated for the purchase of a sand spreader and accessories and other equipment in connection therewith, the same to be purchased as per specifications of the Truck Committee appointed at the Annual Town Meeting in March, 1953 and that the chairman of the Truck Committee together with the chairman of the Board of Selectmen and the Superintendent of Streets be authorized and instructed to acquire such sand spreader, and accessories and equipment.

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty-five Hundred Dollars (\$3,500.00) for repairs and equipment for the Fayville Town Hall, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen and Fayville Hall Committee.)

Voted: That the sum of \$3,000.00 be raised and appropriated for repairs and equipment for the Fayville Town Hall.

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of installing cement-post-cable fences on any of its Highways, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen and Supt. of Streets.)

Voted: That the sum of \$2,500.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of installing cement-post-cable fences on any of the Town's highways.

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) for the purchase of tools, fertilizer, seeds, and repairs for the Fayville playground, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen and Recreation Committee.)

Voted: In the words of the article.

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appro-

priate a sum of money for the purchase of a gas stove and equipment and installation thereof, for the Town Hall, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen.)

Voted: To dismiss the article. Mr. Cecil L. Stiffler donated a stove (in good condition) to the town.

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed Thirty-five Hundred Dollars (\$3,500.00) to be used for the purchase and installation of a new oil-burning main heater for the Fay Library, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Library Trustees.)

Voted: That the sum of \$3,500.00 be raise and appropriated for the purpose named in the article.

Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eighty-five Hundred Dollars (\$8,500.00) for the use of the School Committee for repainting the exterior and interior of Peters' High School, or take any action relating thereto. (Proposed by the School Committee.)

Voted: In the words of the article.

Article 26. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$7,050.00 for Chapter 81 Highways, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen and Supt. of Streets.)

Voted: In the words of the article.

Article 27. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury, the sum of \$12,925.00 for Chapter 81 Highways, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen and Superintendent of Streets.)

Voted: That the sum of \$12,925.00 be transferred from Excess and Deficiency Account for Chapter 81 Highways, to meet the State's share of the cost of the work, the reimbursement from the State to be restored upon their receipt, to the town treasury.

Article 28. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000.00 for Chapter 90 construction, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen and Supt. of Streets.)

Voted: That the sum of \$2,000.00 be raised and appropriated for Chapter 90 construction on Southville Road.

Article 29. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury, the sum of \$6,000.00 for Chapter 90 construction, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen and Superintendent of Streets.)

Voted: That the sum of \$6,000.00 be transferred from Excess and Deficiency account, for Chapter 90 construction to meet the State and County's share of the cost of the work, the reimbursements from the State and County to be restored, upon their receipt to the town treasury.

Article 30. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$800.00 for Chapter 90 maintenance, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen and Superintendent of Streets.)

Voted: In the words of the article.

Article 31. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury the sum of \$1,600.00 for Chapter 90 maintenance, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen and Superintendent of Streets.)

Voted: That the sum of \$1,600 be transferred from Excess and Deficiency account for Chapter 90 Maintenance, to meet the State and County's share of the cost of the work, the reimbursements from the State and County to be restored, upon their receipt, to the town treasury.

Article 32. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury, the sum of \$6,135.00 for highway equipment and maintenance, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen and Superintendent of Streets.)

Voted: That the sum of \$2,635.00 be transferred from the Excess and Deficiency account to the Highway Equipment and Maintenance account.

Article 33. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of \$1,150.00 to be used by the Moth Department to suppress or eliminate Dutch Elm Disease, or do or act any-

thing in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen.)

Voted: That the sum of \$1,150.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of paying such costs and expenses as may be incurred by or assessed against the town in the suppression or elimination of the Dutch Elm Disease.

Article 34. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of extending the water main in Prentiss Street in a westerly direction from the westerly terminus of the present water main in Prentiss Street for a distance of approximately four hundred (400) feet, said extension to be paid for at the annual rate of five (5) percent of the cost of construction for twenty (20) years, and in such other manner, and on such other terms and agreements as the Town may impose by its vote, or as may be imposed by the Board of Water Commissioners, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by Edward C. Ramsdell and eleven others.)

Voted: That the sum of \$1,675.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of extending the water main in Prentiss Street in a westerly direction from the westerly terminus of the present water main in Prentiss Street for a distance of approximately four hundred (400) feet and that the Board of Water Commissioners be instructed to extend said main; provided that the owners of the land abutting on that part of Prentiss Street in which said water main extension shall be laid, except such lands as may be owned, held or used for public, charitable or religious purposes, shall agree in writing to pay in each year for twenty (20) years as minimum rates for water, whether or not water is actually used, a sum of money equal to five percent (5%) of the total original cost of construction of said water main extension; and provided further that as other premises abutting on that part of Prentiss Street shall be connected with said water main extension, the Water Commissioners shall, thereupon, and in each such instance, re-apportion said original cost for the remainder of such twenty (20) year period among the owners of all the lands so connected or served; and provided further that the owners of all lands abutting on that part of Prentiss Street to be served by said water main extension shall agree to such other terms as the Water Commissioners may impose.

Article 35. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appro-

priate the sum of \$20,500.00 for the purpose of building new sheds and store houses at the rear of the present Fire Station, on land recently acquired from the Worcester Suburban Electric Company, said buildings to be used for housing town equipment and material, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen.)

Voted: That the present committee of three, appointed under Article 42 of the Annual Town Meeting of 1952, to conduct a study of the advisability of building new sheds on land in the rear of the fire-station, be continued and that there be raised and appropriated the sum of \$100.00 to be made available to the committee for such purpose and that the committee be instructed to report its findings and recommendations to the next annual town meeting.

Article 36. To see if the Town will vote to transfer to Excess and Deficiency Account the unexpended balances of certain special appropriations as follows: —

School repairs —	
Fayville Shingling, So. Union roofing	\$254.75
School repairs —	
So. Union Toilets, lockers	
So. Union and P. H. S. Annex floors	1,774.73
Water Extensions	
J. J. Trioli	366.20
Cross Street	73.45
Main Street	41.85
Maple Street	398.41
Memorial Day Exercises	29.31
P. T. A. Playground	.64
Repairing Honor Rolls	24.00
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	\$2,963.34

or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Town Accountant.)

Voted: In the words of the article.

Article 37. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to extend the Water Main on Woodland Road from the end of the present main to the property of Harold Barker, or approximately one thousand (1,000) feet, said extension to be paid for at the annual rate of five (5) per cent of the cost of construction for (20) years, and in such

other manner, and on such other terms and agreements as the Town may impose by its vote or as may be imposed by the Board of Water Commissioners; or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by Harold S. Barker and fourteen others.)

Voted: To dismiss the article.

Article 38. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to extend the water main on Southville Road, easterly from the end of the present Main for a distance of approximately Twelve hundred (1,200) feet, said extension to be paid for at the annual rate of five (5) per cent of the cost of construction, for twenty (20) years, and in such other manner, and on such other terms and agreements as the Town may impose by its vote, or as may be imposed by the Board of Water Commissioners, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by Charles H. Lane and eleven others.)

Voted: That the sum of Fifty-four hundred dollars be raised and appropriated for the purpose of extending the water main on Southville Road, easterly from the end of the present main for a distance of approximately twelve hundred (1,200) feet and that the Board of Water Commissioners be instructed to extend said main; provided that the owners of the land abutting on that part of Southville Road in which said water main extension shall be laid, except such lands as may be owned, held or used for public, charitable or religious purposes, shall agree in writing to pay in each year for twenty (20) years as minimum rates for water, whether or not water is actually used, a sum of money equal to five per cent (5%) of the total original cost of construction of said water main extension; and provided further that as other premises abutting on that part of Southville Road shall be connected with said water main extension, the Water Commissioners shall, thereupon, and in each such instance, re-apportion said original cost for the remainder of such twenty (20) year period among the owners of all lands so connected or served; and provided further that the owners of all lands abutting on that part of Southville Road to be served by said water main extension shall agree to such other terms as the Water Commissioners may impose.

Article 39. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of extending the water

main on Marlborough Road northerly from the property of Vincent Dunn to the property of Edward Orzeck, or a distance of three hundred fifty (350) feet, said extension to be paid for at the annual rate of five (5) per cent of the cost of construction, for twenty (20) years, and in such other manner, and on such other terms and agreements as the Town may impose by its vote or as may be imposed by the Board of Water Commissioners, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by Henry D. Pietrasiak and seventeen others.)

Voted: To dismiss the article.

Article 40. To see if the Town will vote to take any action to establish a Planning Board under Chapter 41, Section 81A to 81Y of the General Laws, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Town Clerk.)

Voted: To dismiss the article.

Article 41. To see if the Town will vote to amend its By-Laws by inserting in Article II, a new Section 9A as follows. —

“ARTICLE II”

“Section 9A. Unless a Town Meeting, by its vote, shall otherwise direct, the Moderator shall request a show of hands on every question put before the meeting by him, and shall declare the vote as it appears to him by such show of hands. If a decision on any such vote shall be questioned before the meeting proceeds to take up any new or other business, the Moderator shall put the question again and shall request a standing vote thereon. He shall appoint tellers to make the count and report the same to him for his declaration,”

or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Town Clerk.)

Voted: To dismiss the article.

Article 7. To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Assessors, to use free cash in the Town Treasury, and if so, what sum, for the purpose or reducing the amount to be raised and assessed as taxes in 1953, or pass any vote relative thereto.

Voted: That \$16,000.00 be transferred from the Excess and Deficiency account this sum to be used by the Assessors

for the purpose of reducing the amount to be raised and assessed as taxes in 1953.

Voted: That the meeting be dissolved at 9:47 P.M.

A true record

Attest

JOHN J. RABENI,
Town Clerk.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING — SEPTEMBER 21, 1953

Moderator Edward V. Chaput called the meeting to order at 7:15 P. M. and declared that a quorum was present. There were 277 voters present.

It was voted to dispense with the reading of the Warrant.

Article 1. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from any of its available funds the sum of One Hundred and Ten Dollars (\$110.00) and appropriate the sum of money to pay the salary of Dr. Timothy P. Stone for 1952 as agent of the Board of Health and as physician to the Well-Child Conference, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by Timothy P. Stone, M. D.)

Unanimously voted: That the sum of One Hundred and Ten (\$110.00) Dollars be transferred from the Excess and Deficiency Account and the same appropriated for the purpose named in the above article.

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from any of its available funds, the sum of \$300.00 and appropriate the same to pay the cost of engineering services, labor and material to be used for the improvement of drainage in the area of certain brooks in Southville, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen.)

Unanimously voted: That the sum of Three Hundred (\$300.00) Dollars be transferred from the Excess and Deficiency Account and that the same be appropriated for the purpose named in the above article.

Article 2A. To hear the report and recommendations of

the Recreation Commission relative to the establishment and maintenance of the Fayville Playground, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Recreation Commission.)

Unanimously voted: That the report and recommendations of the Recreation Commission relative to the establishment and maintenance of the Fayville playground be accepted and that the Commission be authorized to name the Playground Harold E. Fay Memorial Field and to conduct such dedication and to erect such tablets or plaques as they may deem suitable provided that such exercises or tablets or plaques shall be conducted or erected without expense to the Town.

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from any of its available funds, the sum of \$1,430.00 to be added to the appropriation of \$1,500.00 made under Item 47 of Article 4 of the Annual Town Meeting of March, 1952, and appropriate the total sum thereof, for the purpose of renting a dump site and fencing the same and paying the cost of labor and maintenance, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen.)

Voted: After a lengthy discussion Article 3 was defeated.

A motion to reconsider Article 3 was successful.

Votes in favor — 154

Against — 3

Vote on Article 3. That the sum of \$1,040.00 be transferred from the Excess and Deficiency Account and that the same be added to the balance of \$1,175.00 remaining in the appropriation of \$1,500.00 made under Item 47 of Article 4 of the Annual Town Meeting of March, 1952, and that the total amount thereof, in the sum of \$2,215.00 be appropriated for the purpose of acquiring from Aronson Brothers, or whoever may be the owner or in control of the same, an interest in a certain parcel of land on the westerly side of Parkerville Road, said land to be used as a Town dump; and for the further purpose of erecting thereon, a suitable fence, and for paying such cost of labor and maintenance as may be necessary; and I further move that the Selectmen be authorized to negotiate with said Aronson Brothers, or whoever may own or control said land, and to enter into such contracts and agreements as may be necessary to acquire an interest in said land, and to make the same suitable as a dump; (the following approved amendment made by Mr. James M. Daughan) provided,

that no such agreement shall extend over a period of more than one (1) year from the execution of such contract or agreement. The Moderator shall appoint a committee of three (3) to investigate the advisability of acquiring a permanent piece of property to be used as a Town dump, and that the Committee shall report at the next annual Town Meeting.

Voted: That the result of the vote, regarding Article 20, be determined by ballot.

Votes in favor of ballot vote — 169 Against — 26

A motion to limit or stop debate was approved 132 to 0.

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$160,000.00 for the purpose of constructing and originally equipping and furnishing an elementary school building, said sum to be in addition to the appropriation of \$500,000.00 made for said purpose under Article 3 of the warrant for the Special Town Meeting of April 27, 1952, as amended, ratified, confirmed, reenacted or otherwise acted upon and in addition to the appropriation of \$1,000.00 made for said purpose under Article 7 of the Warrant for the Special Town Meeting of May 26, 1952 and any changes made therein subsequent to May 26, 1952, and in addition to any other appropriation made subsequently to April 7, 1952 for said purpose; and to determine how said appropriation shall be raised, whether by transfer from available funds in the treasury, and/or by borrowing or otherwise, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Advisory Committee.)

Result of ballot vote regarding Article 20:

Votes in favor of Article 20 — 192 Against — 80

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from any of its available funds a sum of money for the purpose of constructing and originally equipping an elementary school building, such sum to be in addition to any other sums voted to be raised, appropriated, transferred or borrowed under Article 3 of the Special Town Meeting of April 7, 1952, if Article 16 of this warrant is favorably acted on, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the School Housing Committee.)

Unanimously voted: In order to comply with the provisions of Chapter 44 Section 7 of the General Laws as now in effect,

that there be transferred from the Excess and Deficiency Account the sum of Fifteen Hundred (\$1,500.00) Dollars to be used for the purpose of constructing and originally equipping and furnishing an elementary school building, said sum to be in addition to any other sums voted to be raised, appropriated, transferred or borrowed under Article 3 of the Special Town Meeting of April 7, 1952, as ratified, confirmed, approved and re-enacted under Article 1 of the warrant for this meeting.

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to ratify, confirm, approve and re-enact the vote taken under Article 3 of the warrant for the Special Town Meeting of April 7, 1952, which vote was as follows:

‘VOTED: That the sum of \$500,000.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of constructing and originally equipping and furnishing an elementary school building and that to meet said appropriation the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be and hereby is authorized to borrow the sum of \$500,000.00 and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor, payable in not more than twenty years. \$120,000.00 of the amount authorized to be borrowed shall be under the authority of and in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44 of the General Laws, and \$380,000.00 of the said amount shall be under the authority of and in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 645 of the Acts of 1948, as amended, and the present School Housing Committee is hereby authorized to enter into contracts and to do all things that are necessary and convenient for constructing, equipping and furnishing such school building and that in the event that a vacancy should occur in said Committee the remaining members of said Committee be and hereby are authorized to fill said vacancy.’

notwithstanding any subsequent action or votes taken under Article 4 of the Special Town Meeting of May 26, 1952 and the adjournment thereof to June 3, 1952, or otherwise, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the School Housing Committee.)

A motion to limit or stop debate was approved:

Votes in favor of stopping debate—182, Against—0

Voted: That the vote taken under Article 3 of the warrant for the Special Town Meeting of April 7, 1952 namely:

"That the sum of \$500,000.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of constructing and originally equipping and furnishing an elementary school building and that to meet said appropriation the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be and hereby is authorized to borrow the sum of \$500,000.00 and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor, payable in not more than twenty years. \$120,000.00 of the amount authorized to be borrowed shall be under the authority of and in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44 of the General Laws, and \$380,000.00 of the said amount shall be under the authority of and in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 645 of the Acts of 1948, as amended, and the present School Housing Committee is hereby authorized to enter into contracts and to do all things that are necessary and convenient for constructing, equipping and furnishing such school building and that in the event that a vacancy should occur in said Committee the remaining members of said Committee be and hereby are authorized to fill said vacancy."

be ratified, confirmed, approved and re-enacted as of said date, notwithstanding any subsequent action or vote taken under Article 4 of the Special Town Meeting of May 26, 1952 and the adjournment thereof to June 3, 1952 or otherwise.

Article 16 approved as follows:

Votes in favor — 199

Against — 8

Voted: to act on Articles 18, 19, 21, 22, 23, 24 and 25 in that order.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to rescind the vote taken under Article 3 of the Special Town Meeting of April 7, 1952 in which it was voted:

"That the sum of \$500,000.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of constructing and originally equipping and furnishing an elementary school building and that to meet said appropriation the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be and hereby is authorized to borrow the sum of \$500,000.00 and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor, payable in not more than twenty years. \$120,000.00 of the amount authorized to be borrowed shall be under the authority of and in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44 of the General

Laws, and \$380,000.00 of the said amount shall be under the authority of and in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 645 of the Acts of 1948, as amended, and the present School Housing Committee is hereby authorized to enter into contracts and do all things that are necessary and convenient for constructing, equipping and furnishing such school building; and that in the event that a vacancy should occur in said Committee the remaining members of said Committee, be and hereby are authorized to fill said vacancy."

and to rescind any and all other subsequent votes of the town meeting of May 26, 1952 and the adjournment thereof to June 3, 1952, which votes related to constructing and originally equipping and furnishing an elementary school building or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the School Housing Committee.)

Voted: That Article 18 be dismissed.

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from any of its available funds a sum of money and appropriate the same for the purpose of paying the claim of the Architects employed by the School Housing Committee to prepare plans and specifications and bids and to do other work in connection with constructing, equipping and furnishing an elementary school buildings as voted under Article 3 of the warrant for the special town meeting of April 7, 1952, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the School Housing Committee.)

Voted: That Article 19 be dismissed.

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to hear a report, if any, from the Regional School District Planning Board and for the School Committee, or do or act thereon. (Proposed by Percy Battye.)

Voted: That the report of the Special unpaid Committee of three (3) members appointed under Article 13 of the Special Town Meeting of May 26, 1952 to study the advisability of creating a committee to be known as the "Regional School District Planning Committee" and to investigate and study such other matters relating thereto as it shall deem advisable, be continued with the same duties and powers voted under said Article 13.

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to rescind all action taken on a new elementary school building and site taken at the special town meeting of April 7, 1952; May 26, 1952; and its adjournment of June 3, 1952, or do or act thereon. (Proposed by Percy Battye.)

Voted: That Article 22 be dismissed.

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a gift a certain parcel or parcels of land for the purpose of erecting a new elementary school building, or do or act thereon. (Proposed by Percy Battye.)

Voted: That Article 23 be dismissed.

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer a sum of money for the purpose of constructing an elementary school building and for originally equipping and furnishing said building; to determine whether the money shall be provided for by appropriation from available funds in the Treasury, by borrowing under authority of Chapter 645 of the Acts of 1948, as amended, and Chapter 44 of the General Laws, or take any action in relation thereto. (Proposed by Percy Battye.)

Voted: That Article 24 be dismissed.

Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to purchase or take by right of eminent domain a parcel or parcels of land for the purpose of constructing an elementary school building thereon, and to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money therefor, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by Percy Battye.)

Voted: That Article 25 be dismissed.

Article 4. To see if the Town will declare a substantial shortage of rental housing accommodations and that the control of rents therein is necessary in the public interest and vote to accept the provisions of Chapter 434 of the Acts of 1953 relating to extension of rent controls, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen.)

Voted: That Article 4 be dismissed.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to rescind the action taken under Article 19 of the warrant for the annual

town meeting held on March 9, 1953, under which it was voted to appropriate (or transfer from the Road Machinery Fund) the sum of \$1,400.00 Dollars for the purchase of a sand spreader and accessories and equipment in connection therewith, and to return the money appropriated thereunder to the Excess and Deficiency Account (or Road Machinery Fund), or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen.)

Voted: That the vote taken under Article 19 of the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting of March, 1953, under which it was voted to transfer from the Road Machinery Fund the sum of \$1,400.00 for the purchase of a sand spreader and accessories and equipment in connection therewith, be rescinded and that the money appropriated thereunder be returned to the Road Machinery Fund.

Votes in favor of Article 5 — 95 Against — 25

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from any of its available funds a sum of money for the purchase of a sand spreader and accessories in connection therewith or a new or used motor vehicle with such accessories and equipment attached, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen.)

Voted: Article 6 was defeated.

A motion to reconsider Article 5 was approved as follows:

Votes in favor — 101 Against — 1

Voted: That Article 5 be dismissed.

A motion to reconsider Article 6 was defeated as follows:

Votes in favor of reconsideration—38 Against—34

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from any of its available funds a sum of money to be used for the purchase of a resuscitator for the Fire Department and the Police Department, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Fire Chief and Chief of Police.)

Voted: That the sum of Six Hundred (\$600.00) Dollars be transferred from the Excess and Deficiency Account and that the same be appropriated for the purchase of a resuscitator and that the Fire Chief, the Police Chief, Dr. Timothy P. Stone and the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen be authorized, as a Committee, to purchase such resuscitator.

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from any of its available funds, a sum of money to be used to pay the cost of additional street lights on Sears Road, Deerfoot Road and Gilmore Road, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen.)

Voted: That the sum of Seventy-two (\$72.00) Dollars be transferred from the Excess and Deficiency Fund and that the same be added to the appropriation made at the last Annual Town Meeting under Item 21 of Article 4 for street lighting and that such additional amount be used for the purpose of installing additional street lights on Sears Road, Deerfoot Road, and Gilmore Road in such location as may be determined by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from any of its available funds a sum of money to be added to the appropriation made at the annual town meeting for Highway Equipment and Maintenance, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen.)

Voted: That the sum of One Thousand (\$1,000.00) Dollars be transferred from the Excess and Deficiency Fund and that the same be appropriated and added to the appropriation made under Article 32 of the Annual Town Meeting of March, 1953, for Highway Equipment and Maintenance; and that there be transferred from the Road Machinery Fund the sum of \$1,400.00 and the same be appropriated for the purchase of a sand spreader.

Mr. James M. Daughan, taking exception to the foregoing motion, stated that it was illegal procedure.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from any of its available funds the sum of \$3,200.00 for the purpose of Oak Hill Road drainage under the provisions of Chapter 90 of the General Laws, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen.)

Voted: That the sum of Thirty-two Hundred (\$3,200.00) Dollars be transferred from the Excess and Deficiency Account and that the same be appropriated for the purpose of improving the drainage system on Oak Hill Road, said improvements to be made under the provisions of Chapter 90 of the General Laws. The \$2,400.00, which is the State and County's contribution, shall be returned, upon their receipt, to the Excess and Deficiency Account.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from any of its available funds a sum of money to extend the water main in Marlboro Road, northerly for a distance of 350 feet, said extension to be paid for at an annual rate of 5% of the cost of construction for twenty (20) years and in such other manner and on such other terms and agreements as the Town may impose by its vote or as may be imposed by the Board of Water Commissioners, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by Hazel E. Dunn et ali.)

Voted: That the sum of Thirteen Hundred Ninety-five (\$1,395.00) Dollars be transferred from the balance of the appropriation of \$6,635.00 made under Article 13 of the Special Town Meeting of October 23, 1950 and that the same be appropriated for the purpose of extending the water main in said Marlboro Road in a northerly direction from the northerly terminus of the present water main on Marlboro Road for a distance of Three Hundred fifty (350) feet and that the Board of Water Commissioners be instructed to extend said water main; provided that the owners of the land abutting on that part of Marlboro Road in which said water main extends shall be laid except such land as may be owned, held, or used for public charitable, or religious purposes, shall agree to pay in each year for a period of twenty (20) years as minimum rates for water, whether or not water is actually used, a sum of money equal to five (5%) per cent of the total original cost of construction for said water main extension; and provided further that as other premises abutting on that part of Marlboro Road shall be connected with said water main extension, the Water Commissioners, thereupon, and in each such instance, reapportion such original cost for the remainder of such twenty-year (20) period among the owners of all land so connected or served; and provided further that the owners of all land abutting on that part of Marlboro Road to be served by said water main extension, shall agree in writing to such other terms as the Board of Water Commissioners may impose (exclusive of the exceptions herein before referred to), and this transfer is recommended by the Advisory Board.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from any of its available funds a sum of money to extend the water main in Boston Road easterly 185 feet from the water main in Valley Road, said extension to be paid for at an annual rate of 5% of the cost of construction for twenty (20) years, and in such other manner and on such terms and agreements as the

Town may impose by its vote, or as may be imposed by the Board of Water Commissioners, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by Walter B. Brewer et ali.)

Voted: That the sum of \$1,374.15 be transferred from the balance of the appropriation of \$6,635.20 made under Article 13 of the Special Town Meeting of October 23, 1950 and that the same be appropriated for the purpose of extending the water main in Boston Road, in an easterly direction from the water main now in Valley Road, for a distance of Two hundred fifty-one (251) feet and that the Board of Water Commissioners be instructed to extend said water main; provided that the owners of the land to be served by said water main shall agree in writing to pay in each year for a period of twenty (20) years as minimum rates for water, five (5%) per cent of the total original cost of construction for said water main extension; and provided further that the owners of all land abutting on that part of Boston Road to be served by said water main extension, shall agree in writing, to such other terms as the Water Commissioners may impose. This transfer is recommended by the Advisory Board.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds in the treasury a sum of money not exceeding \$325.00 for the purpose of replacing the flagpole at Peters High School, or take any action relating thereto. (Proposed by the School Committee.)

Voted: That the sum of Three Hundred Twenty-five (\$325.00) Dollars be transferred from the Excess and Deficiency Account and that the same be appropriated for the purpose of replacing the flagpole at Peters' High School.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds in the treasury a sum of money not exceeding \$1,050.00 for the use of the School Committee in completing construction of the play area at the South Union School, or take any action relating thereto. (Proposed by the School Committee.)

Voted: That the sum of Ten Hundred Fifty (\$1,050.00) Dollars be transferred from the Excess and Deficiency Account and that the same be appropriated for the purpose of completing construction of the playground area at the South Union School and that said construction be done under the supervision of the School Committee.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from any of its available funds, a sum of money to be added to the appropriation made at the annual town meeting for the Highway Department, said additional sum to be used to increase the salaries and wages of highway department employees and the Superintendent of Streets, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen.)

Voted: That the sum of Six Hundred Thirty (\$630.00) Dollars be transferred from the Excess and Deficiency Account and that the same be appropriated for the purpose of increasing the salaries and wages of the Superintendent of Streets and Employees of the Highway Department of the Town.

Voted: To extend a vote of thanks to Mr. Ralph E. Gray, Stub Toe Lane, for mimeographing the Thousand (1,000) copies of the foregoing warrant, for delivery to the townspeople prior to this meeting.

Voted: To dissolve the meeting; time, 11:30 P.M.

A true copy
Attest

(Signed) JOHN J. RABENI,
Town Clerk.

STATISTICS FOR 1953

Births Recorded, Males	36
Births Recorded, Females	27
Deaths Recorded, Males	11
Deaths Recorded, Females	10
Marriages Recorded	20
Marriage Intentions Filed	18
Dogs Licensed, Males and Spayed Females (\$2.00)	316
Dogs Licensed, Females (\$5.00)	39
Kennel Licenses (\$25.00)	1
Kennel Licenses (\$10.00)	10
Paid Town Treasurer	\$878.80
License Fees	\$73.20
Sporting Licenses issued	293
Paid Department Conservation	\$950.50
License Fees	\$73.00
Vital Statistics	\$112.00

IMPORTANT REQUEST

Please notify the Town Clerk immediately of any error or omission in the following list of births.

Errors not reported at once can be corrected only by sworn affidavit as prescribed by the General Laws, and may cause you inconvenience which can be avoided by prompt attention.

BIRTHS RECORDED IN 1953

DATE	NAME OF CHILD	PARENTS	PLACE OF BIRTH
JANUARY			
5	Karen Lorraine Medeiros	Americo & Phyllis L. (Turner) Medeiros	Framingham
5	Peter Eugene Alsterlund	Henry E. & Catherine (Dankulov) Alsterlund	Framingham
19	Anne Maitland Holzer	George & Dorothy (McCann) Holzer	Framingham
FEBRUARY			
3	Lauren Ann Spinazola	Guy M. & Edna (Hansen) Spinazola	Natick
7	Margaret Elizabeth Cross	David T. & Mignon E. (Hambrook) Cross	Boston
11	Phyllis Humez	Paul R. & Roberta (Berry) Humez	Boston
12	Peter Scott Park	William H. & Elizabeth A. (Gray) Park	Marlborough
13	Albert Norman Daris	Norman A. & Joyce M. (Moore) Daris	Marlborough
14	Joanne Lothrop Williams	Welsey L. & June S. (Montgomery) Williams	Waltham
28	Steven Dean Lewis	Dean M. & Helen M. (Mocerino) Lewis	Marlborough
MARCH			
2	Stephen David Geary	Warren J. & Marianne J. (Ruocco) Geary	Framingham
7	Robert Michael Morris	Nicholas & Marjorie (Swanson) Morris	Framingham
15	Donna Jean Piper	A. Kieth & Betty J. (Raven) Piper	Marlborough
20	Robert Paul Maley	John H. & Jean A. (Carter) Maley, Jr.	Framingham
APRIL			
2	Judith Ann Bouchard	John L. & Mary C. (Krim) Bouchard	Marlborough
9	Gail Carter	Charles W. & Grace (Rasmusson) Carter	Marlborough
19	Lorne Linton Almeida	Paul J. & Gloria K. (Linton) Almeida	Marlborough
28	Mary Jayne Pessini	Frances R. & Adrienne M. (Pichette) Pessini	Marlborough

MAY

8	Nancy Ellen McCulley	George F. & Dorothy A. (Gleason) McCulley	Framingham
9	Vicki Lee Peck	Gerald E. & Claire E. (Collier) Peck	Marlborough
17	Edward William Davis	Edward W. & Jayne N. (Philbrick) Davis	Framingham
17	Karen Jean Mellen	Francis & Barbara (Pontremoli) Mellen	Framingham
19	Paul Blake Pieri	Louis A. & Maureen K. (Hayden) Pieri	Framingham
23	Pamela Langdon	George C. & Thelma (Carlson) Langdon	Boston

JUNE

1	Roland James Chenard	Roland A. & Phyllis M. (Rousseau) Chenard	Framingham
1	Bonnie Lee Masi	Edward G. & Donna (Ahrens) Masi	Framingham
2	Diane Marie Blaisdell	Richard & Jacqueline (Sherman) Blaisdell	Framingham
5	Roger Blair MacArthur	Roger M. & Carol (Wentworth) MacArthur	Framingham
7	Deborah Lynn Blount	William G. & Anastasia (Coparan) Blount	Boston
13	Barbara Jean Aldrich	David W. & Evelyn B. (Hall) Aldrich	Worcester
13	Virginia Sue Herb	Robert T. & Irene B. (Greene) Herb	Framingham
13	Charles Paul Madenjian	Joseph C. & Angela (Sahagian) Madenjian	Marlborough
13	James Joseph Madenjian	Joseph C. & Angela (Sahagian) Madenjian	Marlborough
22	Wayne Emery Wellman	Norman E. & Norma E. (King) Wellman	Marlborough
24	Cynthia Robin Truesdale	Howard E. & Eleanor A. (Estabrooks) Truesdale	Marlborough
27	Roland David Clark	Harold F. & Marilyn (Pierce) Clark, Jr.	Framingham

JULY

1	Sally Willman	Glenn M. & Ida J. (Foskett) Willman	Worcester
2	Patricia Bartolini	Louis J. & M. Rosita (Kiley) Bartolini	Framingham
27	Janice Marie Adams	John E. & Josephine M. (Umina) Adams	Framingham

BIRTHS RECORDED — Continued

DATE	NAME OF CHILD	PARENTS	PLACE OF BIRTH
AUGUST			
3	Stephen David Cook	Herbert F. & Jeanne M. (Harris) Cook	Framingham
5	Dennis David Sullivan	William J. & Mary S. (Conway) Sullivan	Hudson
8	Martha Ruth Hubley	Alvah F. & Martha (Funderburk) Hubley, Jr.	Marlborough
12	Michael Lee Nelson	Robert R. & Barbara P. (LaCounte) Nelson	Framingham
14	Robert Desimone	Albert R. & Daisy A. (Carloni) Desimone	Worcester
18	Thomas William Woodin, Jr.	Thomas & Roberta (Forsyth) Woodin	Framingham
25	Kevin Ferguson Baugh	Franklin C. & Audrey M. (Henderson) Baugh	Marlborough
27	James Barton	Charles & Mary (McConologue) Barton	Framingham
SEPTEMBER			
15	Merle McLeod	Stanley M. & Constance (Dolley) McLeod	Framingham
17	Cynthia Marie Tyler	Edward L. & Georgina (Harrison) Tyler	Boston
29	Robert Howard Wood	Robert J. & Lucy M. (Maurice) Wood	Framingham
OCTOBER			
2	Richard Paul Brownly	Richard C. & Eunice J. (Marcore) Brownly	Marlborough
5	Bruce Paul Berry	Paul & Louise (Bossi) Berry	Framingham
14	George Robert Boothby, Jr.	George & Phyllis (Pessini) Boothby	Framingham
18	Mark Christopher Aselbekian	Oscar & Ann (Kaderian) Aselbekian	Framingham
23	Frank Stephen Stockwell	Frank & Anita (McCormick) Stockwell	Framingham
28	Jeffrey Edward Goodwin	Richard & Marion (Pink) Goodwin	Framingham

NOVEMBER

7 Jean Corinne Laptewicz
 17 Darlene Louise Binns
 21 Thomas Arthur Banks
 25 Douglas Donald Mauch
 30 Germaine Marie Fricault

Joseph & Elaine (Harris) Laptewicz
 Edmund & Marguerite (Kinney) Binns
 Donald R. & Eleanor (Sullivan) Banks
 Philip G. & Dorothy E. (Blood) Mauch
 Roland & Lorraine (Trudeau) Fricault

Hudson
 Framingham
 Marlborough
 Newton
 Hudson

DECEMBER

6 Robert Doyle Howes
 14 Peter Bradshaw McCandless
 21 Frank Harold Wielki
 28 George Amos Hubley, Jr.
 29 Neil Michael Dougherty

Richard & Maureen (Pearl) Howes
 Joey & Mary (Bradshaw) McCandless
 John S. & Marjorie (Small) Wielki
 George A. & Nita M. (Sora) Hubley
 John R. & Marilyn (Langlois) Dougherty

Hudson
 Framingham
 Framingham
 Framingham
 Marlborough

MARRIAGES RECORDED IN 1953

JANUARY

- 4 Leo Anthony Dragomani of Southborough to Marie Ann Cotugno of Framingham, married in Framingham.

FEBRUARY

- 15 Axel Christian Sorensen, Jr. of Lexington to Patricia Anne Jacobs of Southborough, married in Southborough.
28 Wallace Howard Henshaw, Jr. of W. Hartford, Conn. to Joan Doris Brister of Southborough, married in Southborough.

MARCH

- 31 Charles E. Helstrom and Patricia W. Small, both of Marlborough, married in Southborough.

APRIL

- 7 Keith Cary of Southborough and Alynna E. Kryzanowska of Roxbury, married in Hampstead, New Hampshire.
12 Joseph Francis Pontremoli, Jr. of Ashland and Susan E. Willard of Southborough, married in Boston.
18 David Gerard Noonan of New Hampshire and Jeanette Marie Barry of Southborough, married in Southborough.

MAY

- 10 Benjamin William MacArthur of Southborough and Elaine Carter Pelkie of Boston, married in Sudbury.
26 Littleberry Barrett Howell, Jr. of Alabama and Eleanor Irene Wiles of Southborough, married in Southborough.
30 Francis Peter Howes and Lillian Ann LaNinfa, both of Southborough, married in Southborough.

JUNE

- 20 Robert Francis Collins of Southborough and Mary Terese Flynn of Framingham, married in Framingham.
27 Richard Peter Mello of Marlborough and Marie Fantasy of Southborough, married in Southborough.
27 Albert Joseph Phillipo of Southborough to Phyllis (Staniszewski) Jarosz of Palmer, married in Ware.
28 Lester Warren Stockwell of Southborough and Ruth Elsie Harrall of Hopkinton, married in Hopkinton.

JULY

- 4 Richard Edward Carroll of Saxonville and Annette Veronica Quinn of Southborough, married in Southborough.

AUGUST

- 2 Richard Rodney Babbitt and Jacqueline June Beckley, both of Southborough, married in Southborough.
8 William Leo Ross, Jr. of Framingham and Jane Ann Flynn of Southborough, married in Southborough.
29 William Francis Stickney of Hopkinton and Marilyn Louise Varnum of Southborough, married in Hopkinton.

OCTOBER

- 10 David Anthony DeShaw of Framingham and Katherine Gertrude Peters of Southborough, married in Southborough.

DECEMBER

- 26 Edward Joseph Dineen of Boston and Emma (Pervere) Stiles of Southborough, married in Beverly.

DEATHS RECORDED IN 1953

DATE	NAME	AGE			PLACE OF DEATH
		Y.	M.	D.	
JANUARY					
3	Nettie Delarda	53	1	0	Marlborough
FEBRUARY					
20	John Berry	79	0	0	Framingham
22	James W. O'Brien	0	6	7	Southborough
MARCH					
10	Howard P. Wheeler	82	1	9	Westborough
APRIL					
14	Albert E. Crepeau	40	0	0	Southborough
MAY					
4	Augustin Levesque	48	0	0	Westborough

JUNE

8	Grace M. Smith	69	0	0	Southborough
9	Florence Trioli	42	0	0	Southborough
9	Irmgard Noberini	27	0	0	Southborough
9	Robert J. Noberini, Jr.	1	0	6	Southborough

JULY

5	Margaret M. Campbell	68	2	24	Marlborough
16	Florence E. Uhlman	71	9	10	Southborough

AUGUST

17	James R. Sherrett	42	9	12	Southborough
25	Alfred DePesa	76	1	15	Southborough
30	Alice M. Draper	78	8	15	Southborough

OCTOBER

11	Harry A. McMaster	77	0	0	Westborough
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NOVEMBER

2	Harry L. Ladd	83	5	24	Southborough
29	Arline G. Morrison	45	4	9	Southborough

DECEMBER

8	Clementina Trioli	81	0	0	Southborough
14	Walter W. Collins	75	7	7	Southborough
21	Charlotte Fantony	26	8	23	Framingham

NOTICE

All dog licenses expire March 31, 1954.
Dogs must be licensed on or before April
1st or the owners or keepers thereof are
liable to a fine.

The law applies to all dogs three months
old or over, regardless of time of year
ownership is acquired. No tax bills are
sent to owners of dogs.

JURY LIST 1953

(Men)

Name	Occupation	Address
David W. Aldrich,	Industrial Engineer	Main St.
Fred L. Baker,	Auditing	Middle Rd.
Charles S. Barton,	Pres. Rice-Barton Corp.	Deerfoot Rd.
John L. Connor,	Inventory Clerk	Cross St.
Albert A. Cook,	Mechanic	Chestnut Hill Rd.
Laurence A. Cooper, Jr.,	Research Engineer	School St.
John C. Dekkers,	Purchasing Engineer	Wood St.
Angelo P. Delarda,	Deerfoot-Meat Packing Mgr.	Central St.
Burton B. Derby,	Tool and Die Inspector	Southville Rd.
Donald Dezarn,	Telephone Co. (Field Clerk)	Oak Hill Rd.
Harry Gould,	Abrasive Worker	Valley Rd.
Charles H. Holmes,	Retired	Parkerville Rd.
Robert R. Nelson,	Mechanic	Cordaville Rd.
Edward C. Nichols,	Mill Man	Middle Rd.
James L. Noberini,	Carpenter	Latisquama Rd.
Ellis C. Reck,	Printing	Turnpike Rd.
Erwin Smith,	Electrician (Retired)	Turnpike Rd.
Cecil L. Stiffler,	Expediter	Main St.
William A. Wheeler,	Engineer	Cordaville Rd.
Francis E. Wood,	Salesman	Cottage St.

(Women)

Name	Occupation	Address
Mrs. Anne J. Boland,	Housewife	East Main St.
Mrs. H. Elizabeth Russell,	Housewife	Parkerville Rd.

Mrs. Josephine E. Colleary, Housewife	Winchester St.
Mrs. Helen V. Concannon, Secretary, Law Office	E. Main St.
Mrs. Regeanne R. Corbett, Homemaker	Middle Rd.
Mrs. Elizabeth L. Doane, Housewife	Lynnbrook Farm
Mrs. Florence Fitzgerald, Housewife	Woodland Rd.
Mrs. Doris L. Gay, Housewife	Jericho Hill Rd.
Mrs. Dorothy F. Henderson, Housewife	East Main St.
Mrs. Mary S. Ingalls, Housewife	St. Mark's School
Mrs. Anna M. Labarre, Housewife	White Bagley Rd.
Mrs. Myrtle E. Lange, Housewife	Ward Rd.
Miss Irene McEvoy, Dietitian (Retired)	Middle Rd.
Mrs. Helen J. O'Reilly, Housewife	Boston Rd.
Miss Angie Prosperi, Sausage Linker	Newton St.
Mrs. Rita Quinn, Housewife	Southville Rd.
Miss Violet M. Ramsdell, Retired School Teacher	Prentiss St.
Mrs. Dorothy T. Wood, Housewife	Cottage St.

REPORT OF WATER COMMISSIONERS

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen
Town of Southborough, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

Herewith is presented the twenty-fourth Annual Report of the Board of Water Commissions for the year 1953.

There were 14 meetings held during the year.

One meeting with the Advisory Board.

The Board met 3 times with the Town Counsel.

At the Annual Town Meeting, George A. Mooney was elected to the Board of Water Commissioners.

Walter J. Norton was elected Chairman of the Board.

The Board granted Mildred Smith, Middle Road, permission to install an 8" water main on Middle Road at her own expense, also the Vale Realty Company permission to install a 6" water main on Southville Road, Woodbury Road and on a private street off Woodbury Road at their own expense.

A letter was received from Peter Carboni of Hopkinton, asking if it was possible to supply him with water from the Town mains. This matter was laid on the table until a formal request was received from the Water Board of the Town of Hopkinton.

The contract to paint the Southville tank was awarded to Cherry Bros. The paint was awarded to E. F. King Company and T. F. Fitzgerald Company.

The proposed Toll Road was taken up at several meetings of the Board and the Town Counsel checked into this matter and reported on December 21, 1953 that he had talked with Mr. Kitfield, Chief Engineer of the Department of Public Works, and that he stated that whatever pipes or sleeves are to be put under this Toll Road would be done without cost to the Town. The Department of Public Works are not certain what Highway locations will be changed but that the Town will not be affected financially.

Once again the matter of a loop from Gilmore Road to Clifford Street is called to the attention of the citizens of the Town. With the Fay School and new services, plus the new

Elementary School added to the consumers of water, it will be necessary in the near future to construct this loop and install a larger pump.

The Board at this time wishes to thank the Board and Officers of the Town for their co-operation during the year, particularly the Superintendent and personnel of the Water Department.

Respectfully submitted,

WALTER J. NORTON,
C. ED BAKER,
GEORGE A. MOONEY,
Board of Water Commissioners.

REPORT OF BOARD OF ASSESSORS 1953 RECAPITULATION

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen
Town of Southborough, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

Herewith we submit a recapitulation of the figures used in fixing the tax rate for the year 1953.

Total Appropriations	\$323,461.03
Taken from available Funds	65,956.87
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	\$389,417.90

STATE: TAX AND ASSESSMENTS

State Parks and Reservations	\$298.10
State Audit of Municipal Accounts	98.05
1952 Underestimates	153.62
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	549.77

COUNTY: TAX AND ASSESSMENTS

County Tax	\$10,992.01
Tuberculosis Hospital Assessment	9,321.58
1952 Underestimates	2,511.47
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	\$22,825.06

Overlay of current year 7,392.00

Gross amount to be raised \$420,184.73

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS AND AVAILABLE FUNDS

Income Tax	\$26,910.26
Corporation Taxes	14,835.97
Old Age Tax (Meals) Ch. 64B, S10	692.83
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise	20,036.58
Licenses	5,000.00
Fines	190.00
General Government	300.00
Protection of Persons and property	300.00
St. Mark's School (Grants and Gifts)	2,700.00
Charities	1,000.00
Old Age Assistance	15,000.00
Veterans' Benefits	900.00
Schools	14,000.00
Metropolitan (in lieu of taxes)	4,410.48
Public Service Enterprises	
(Water Department)	30,000.00
Cemeteries	1,600.00
Interest: On Taxes and Assessments	500.00

Total Estimated Receipts	\$138,376.12
1952 Overestimated: County Tax	919.38
Total from available Funds	81,956.87

Total of Estimated Receipts and Available Funds \$221,252.37

NET AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION \$198,932.36

Number of Polls at \$2.00 each — 911

Poll Tax	\$1,822.00
Personal Property Tax	22,731.36
Real Estate Tax	174,379.00

\$198,932.36

Total amount of 1953 Taxes on Personal Property, Polls and Real Estate, as committed to Collector

\$198,932.36

Total Valuation:

Personal Property \$568,284.00

Real Estate

4,359,475.00

Total

\$4,927,759.00

Tax Rate \$40.00

Tax Rate fixed on May 29, 1953

Approved by Commissioner June 2, 1953

ABATEMENTS

1950 (Levy) Real and Personal	\$.97
1953 (Levy) Real and Personal	2,194.20
1950 (Levy) Polls	4.00
1953 (Levy) Polls	4.00

\$2,203.17

MOTOR EXCISE ABATEMENTS

1952 (Levy) Excise Tax	\$53.34
1953 (Levy) Excise Tax	964.07

\$1,017.41

EXEMPTIONS

1953 (Levy) Real Estate Ch. 59-5-17	\$348.00
1953 (Levy) Real Estate Ch. 59-5-22	2,694.00
1953 (Levy) Polls Ch. 59-17A	166.00
1953 (Levy) Polls Ch. 59-17B	46.00

\$3,254.00

Respectfully submitted,

HERBERT E. BANFILL,

RALPH H. CLARK,

WILLIAM N. DAVIS,

Board of Assessors of Southborough.

SUPERINTENDENT OF WATER DEPARTMENT

To the Board of Water Commissioners,
Town of Southborough, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit the Annual report of the Southborough Water Department for the year ending December 31, 1953.

Consumption of Water

	Total amount pumped		Daily Average	
January	7,446,000	gallons	240,750	gallons
February	6,741,000	"	239,193	"
March	7,435,000	"	244,000	"
April	7,315,000	"	251,000	"
May	7,804,000	"	251,419	"
June	5,343,000	"	172,354	"
July	9,901,000	"	319,354	"
August	9,921,000	"	320,000	"
September	9,273,000	"	309,100	"
October	9,872,000	"	315,223	"
November	7,445,000	"	248,166	"
December	7,205,000	"	232,219	"

The total amount pumped for the year was 95,701,000 gallons.

The daily average amounted to 262,194 gallons.

This is an increase of 2,870,000 gallons over 1952.

Services

A total of 36 services were installed as follows:

	Private Property	Town Property
Fred Tombari, Pleasant Street	27 feet	10 feet
Paul Shapter, Stub Toe Lane	35 feet	18 feet
Evelyn Littlefield, White Bagley Road	30 feet	10 feet
Stanley McLeod, Oak Hill Road (Renewal)	44 feet	12 feet
Frederick Porter, Oak Hill Road (Renewal)	34 feet	33 feet
John Bartolini, Oak Hill Road	31 feet	21 feet
Edward Ramsdell, Prentiss Street	75 feet	65 feet

Lawrence Lamson, Mt. Vickery Road	55 feet	9 feet
William Boswell, Mt. Vickery Road	106 feet	9 feet
Arthur Smith, Oak Hill Road	30 feet	33 feet
Linwood Hammond, John Street	23 feet	30 feet
Shirley Cummings, Pearl Street	30 feet	30 feet
Asa Gray, Learned Street (Renewal)	35 feet	10 feet
Caesar Gheringhelli, Central Street (Renewal)	33 feet	21 feet
Antonio Bartolini, View Hill Road	7 feet	18 feet
Antonio Giombetti, Cordaville Road	35 feet	9 feet
Charles Harding, A Street	55 feet	22 feet
Hazel Dunn, Marlboro Road	70 feet	10 feet
Gladys Waite, Marlboro Road	70 feet	10 feet
Earl Stringer, Oak Hill Road (Renewal)	50 feet	33 feet
Mabel Hilditch, Middle Road	51 feet	
Installed in 1940		
John Farrixy, Southville Road	90 feet	37 feet
John Bartolini, Oak Hill Road	20 feet	20 feet
Charles Harding, Richards Road	27 feet	22 feet
Kenneth Clarke, John Street	40 feet	25 feet
Kristine Coldine, Newton Street	22 feet	33 feet
Mildred Smith, Middle Road	Installed by owner	
Mildred Smith, Middle Road	Installed by owner	
Sylvia Novick, Central Street	Installed by owner	

A service was installed at the Southborough Fire Station and paid for by the Fire Department. This service is to be used to fill the tanks on the fire trucks and avoid using the hydrants during the winter months

During Chapter 90 construction on Southville Road, 2 services were installed to the curb, using 55 feet of pipe. This was done in order to avoid excavating the new road in the future.

On Woodbury Road and Southville Road the Vale Realty Company installed three services.

The service pipe used on Town Property amounted to 605 feet.

Service pipe on Private Property was 1125 feet.

Extensions

The Vale Realty Company of Auburndale, Massachusetts have at their own expense installed the following pipe: Wood

bury Road 400 feet, Southville Road 355 feet and on a private street to their development 412 feet. They have also installed two hydrants.

Mildred Smith of Middle Road has installed at her own expense an 8" main from Mt. Vickery Road, South on Middle Road for a distance of 250 feet, plus one hydrant.

The water extensions on Prentiss Street, Boston Road and Marlboro Road have been completed.

Hydrants

Six hydrants have been installed during the year as follows: — One on Middle Road, One on Prentiss Street, One on Southville Road, One on Boston Road, and One on a private Street off Woodbury Road.

A total of 156 hydrants are now in use.

The inspection of hydrants during the Winter months have been carried out as in the past.

During the Summer every Hydrant was flushed and tested.

General

Four leaks were reported during the year as follows: Middle Road, Love Lane, Southville Road, and Cross Street:

On October 8, 1953 at 9:30 A. M. a drop in pressure of 2 lbs. was noted at the pumping station. The pressure was then at 97 lbs. As no report of a leak was received, the Water Department started to check the standpipes and various streets, particularly Boston Road at Willow Bridge and all streets crossing the Metropolitan reservoir. At 10:30 A. M. the pressure had dropped to 94 lbs. Calls were being received from Lyman, East Main, Main St., and Flagg Road that little or no water was available.

At 11:00 A. M. the leak was located in a field on the 8" service to Dwight Priest's. The pressure was then at 93 lbs. If a loop or by-pass was in service, the leak could have been located in a much shorter time as various streets could have been shut down, but with the flow of water in only one direction this was impossible.

During Chapter 90 construction on Southville Road it was necessary to move three hydrants and seven curb boxes.

Gate boxes which were below the surface of the Streets have been raised on the Main gates.

The inside of the pump room and office have been painted.

The Tornado which struck the Town in June fortunately missed the pumping station by about 300 feet. Electric power was restored in 3 hours, due to the excellent work on the part of the Worcester County Electric Co.

The right of way to the Clear Hill tank has been cleaned of brush.

The Truck has been operated 12,179 miles.

The Truck used 1084 gallons of gasoline.

The Compressor used 236 gallons of gasoline.

The Southville tank was painted during the Summer.

INCOME

Date of Warrant	Amount of Warrant
April	\$6,797.79
July	7,326.85
October	8,517.51
December	7,736.50
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Income from Water rates	\$30,378.65
Miscellaneous	101.13
Services	1,101.30
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Total of income for 1953	\$31,581.08

At this time I would like to recommend to the Board, the purchase of a Tractor mounted backhoe and front end loader.

I wish to thank the Board for their co-operation during the year and all other Boards and Officers, especially the Superintendent of Streets.

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS BOLAND,
Superintendent of the Water Department.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE AND BUREAU OF OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen,
Town of Southborough, Massachusetts

The Board of Public Welfare and Bureau of Old Age Assistance submits the following report of its work for the year ending on December 31, 1953.

General Relief

Eight persons were aided during 1953, all of whom received assistance for short periods only.

The Winchester and J. Lowell Bacon Funds were used for four applicants and the Town of Southborough will be reimbursed by the State or other Towns for the other applicants.

Aid to Dependent Children

During the year 1953, aid was rendered to sixteen persons in this category of relief. There is part reimbursement from the Federal and State Governments for this.

Disability Assistance

The Town of Southborough has granted aid on three applications which were approved by the State Medical Board for this category of assistance. Both Federal and State Governments reimburse the Town for a part of its expenditures.

Old Age Assistance

Forty-four persons were assisted during the year 1953. Reimbursement to the Town for a part of these expenditures is received regularly from the Federal and State Governments. Of the forty-four persons aided, nine came from other towns for whom Southborough is fully reimbursed; for five others, who are unsettled, the State assumes financial responsibility. Seven former Southborough residents were aided in other communities and the proportionate share of their support is charged to this Town.

There were nine new applications for Old Age Assistance of which six were approved and three rejected because of ineligibility. Six accounts were closed due to increased resources, removal to other towns, or death.

We wish at this time to thank the various Boards and Organizations of the Town for their continued cooperation whenever we have found it necessary to enlist their services.

Respectfully submitted,

ANNETTE H. DEER, Chairman,
RUTH W. HARRINGTON,
EDWARD W. BORST.

J. M. SMITH, Welfare Agent.

REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTERING

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen,
Town of Southborough, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

I hereby submit my annual report for the year ending December 31, 1953.

Number of hogs slaughtered and inspected	57
Number of steers and heifers slaughtered and inspected	28
Number of lambs slaughtered and inspected	16
Number of calves slaughtered and inspected	3

Respectfully submitted,

SERENO W. JOHNSON,
Inspector of Slaughtering.

REPORT OF STREET SUPERINTENDENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen,
Town of Southborough, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my report from April 6 to December 31, 1953. On April 6th I was appointed Superintendent of Streets for the Town of Southborough.

All Chapter 81 work was completed during the year.

All Chapter 90 work for 1952 and 1953 has been completed.

New streets accepted by the Town as follows: — Prentiss Street, View Hill Road, and Brook Lane — all have been gravelled; drainage installed and oiled.

Drainage has been installed on Main Street, from the property of Clarence Wentworth to Park Street, and on White Bagley Road at Paul McCarthy's.

Drainage has been completed on Oak Hill Road from Maple Street to the Turpike Road.

A 4-wheel-drive F. W. D. truck and an automatic sander has been purchased for the Highway Department and placed in service.

Hot top sidewalks have been installed on Cordaville Road from Main Street to the Cemetery, and from the property of Francis Pessini to St. Anne's Church.

Cable fences have been installed on Cordaville Road and Boston Road.

On June 9th, a Tornado struck the Town, doing a great deal of damage on Parkerville Road, Middle Road, Mt. Vickory Road, Break Neck Hill Road, Woodland Road, Cherry and Pleasant Streets. Eight Hundred Five (805) hours were spent, by the Highway Department, in clearing the debris. The help and services of the Citizens and the various Departments of the Town were greatly appreciated.

The reports of receipts and expenditures of the Highway Department will be found in the Town Accountant's report.

At this time I wish to thank the Board of Selectmen, members of the Highway Department and all other Town Departments for their co-operation during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

LOUIS PESSINI,
Superintendent of Streets.

REPORT OF FIRE DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

During the year 1953 the Fire Department answered 96 calls as follows:

Buildings	15
Auto and Trucks	13
Oil Burners	5
Brush and Grass	38
Still	2
Rescue	1
Lost children	1
False alarms	1
Calls for Inhalator	3
Calls for tornado	17

During the year the monthly meetings have been held and drills have taken place each month. During the year the old Pumping engine went out of service, due to a cracked block. This was a 1922 truck. It was replaced by the hose wagon from the Fayville Station.

On June 9, the tornado struck and that night and for weeks following, the department answered 17 calls for assistance, working about 876 man hours.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN W. BOLAND,
Chief of Fire Department.

REPORT OF THE FOREST WARDEN

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

During the year the Forest Fire Department answered 38 calls for grass and brush fires burning over an area of 27 acres. Most of these fires were caused from incinerators that were not of proper construction or were not properly taken care of.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN W. BOLAND,
Forest Warden.

REPORT OF THE MOTH SUPERINTENDENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen,
Town of Southborough, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I hereby submit by annual report for the year ending December 31, 1953.

Spraying of the Elm trees was started promptly the first of June and continued until the 9th. On that date, a tornado swept through this area, making it necessary to suspend all spray work for the next two weeks. During that time, some Elms were badly eaten.

The Dutch Elm Disease continues to spread at an alarming rate. A total of 59 elms have been removed during the last twelve months, about double the amount in 1952.

A great many of these trees were taken down with the assistance of our Highway Department.

My sincere thanks to Highway Superintendent, Louis Pesini, and all the members of his department, for a job well done.

I also want to thank the Board of Selectmen and their efficient clerk for their co-operation during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM H. ONTHANK,
Moth Superintendent.

REPORT OF THE TREE WARDEN

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen,
Town of Southborough, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I hereby submit my annual report for the year ending December 31, 1953.

The tornado caused great damage to hundreds of our shade trees, some were so badly broken that it was necessary to remove them entirely.

A few trees were trimmed with the expectation that they will again send out new branches to replace those that were removed.

It may be possible to replant some of the trees that were lost in the residential areas.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM H. ONTHANK,
Tree Warden.

REPORT OF THE ANIMAL INSPECTOR

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen,
Town of Southborough, Massachusetts

Gentlemen::

I hereby submit my annual report for the year ending December 31, 1953.

Number of stables inspected	35
Number of Milch cows and heifers (2 years and over)	749
Number of heifers (1-2 years of age)	86
Number of heifer calves	68
Number of bulls	24
Number of steers and oxen	37
Number of horses	12
Number of goats	41

Number of sheep	33
Total number of animals	1050
(Out of State) cattle shipped in	94
Cattle reacting to tuberculin test	0
Persons bitten by dogs	8
Cases of rabies	0

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM H. ONTHANK,
Inspector of Animals.

REPORT OF MODERATOR

December 31, 1953

The Honorable Board of Selectmen
Southboro, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit the report of the Town Moderator for the year 1953. The following were appointed to the various committees:

Advisory Committee

Edward J. Phair

Town Dump Committee

Dr. Theodore H. Ingalls

Thomas H. Ferris

George W. Coleman

I should like to express my sincere thanks to the people of Southborough for electing me to the office of Moderator.

Very truly yours,

EDWARD V. CHAPUT,
Moderator.

REPORT OF SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

1953

Januray 14, 1954

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen,
Town of Southborough, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

I hereby submit my annual report for the year ending
December 31, 1953.

Inventory of State Standards:

- One Office Balance
- One Brass Yard Measure
- One Set Standard Weights
- One Set Dry Measures
- One Set Liquid Measures

Inventory of Working Equipment:

- One Sealer's Portable Weights
- One Set Brass Weights
- One Set Dry Measures
- One Set Liquid Measures
- One Drill
- Two Seals
- Two Glass Graduates
- One Kit of Small Tools

Work Completed in 1953:

Weighing devices tested	82
Gasoline pumps tested	32
Oil Truck meters	2
Oil Grease pumps	20
Liquid Measure 1 gallon or under	23
Milk Vat	2
Sealing Fees Collected	\$91.30
Fees turned over to Treasurer	\$91.30

Respectfully submitted,

C. A. TORCOLETTI,
Sealer of Weights and Measures.

REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

December 31, 1953

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen,
Town of Southborough, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

The Planning Board submits herewith a report of its work for the year ending December 31, 1953.

No permits were issued by the Board during the year.

Philip C. Beals was appointed to fill a vacancy not filled at the Annual Election. This appointment met with the approval of your office at a joint meeting held for the express purpose of filling the vacancy.

During the year the Board made several visitations to surrounding communities to consult with other Planning Boards.

The Board is at present drawing up a set of rules and regulations for sub-division control in accordance with the so called Sub-division Control Law (Chapter 41, G. L., Sections 81-K to 81-Y inclusive) of the Improved Method of Municipal Planning. These revisions were enacted into law as Chapter 674 of the Acts of 1953 and constitute the second major revision to the Planning and Sub-division legislation since its original enactment in 1936.

Respectfully submitted,

HOMER L. BATES
PHILIP C. BEALS
CAMERON BRADLEY
CHARLES E. THOMAS
JAMES J. TRIOLI

FAY LIBRARY
LIBRARIAN'S REPORT FOR 1953

26,424	Volumes in Library
463	Volumes purchased
231	Gifts
24,696	Circulation, Main Library
15,364	Adult Fiction
5,798	Juvenile Fiction
1,478	Adult Non-Fiction
835	Juvenile Non-Fiction
1,027	Adult Magazines
194	Juvenile Magazines
3,583	Adult Attendance
4,323	Juvenile Attendance
2,706	Largest month, December
158	Largest day, April 18
1,672	Smallest month, July
3	Smallest day, February 25
\$19.00	Fines

Due to the Tornado of June 9, the room of the Fayville Library was taken over by the Post Office, and only opened to the public part time until November, so in all fairness to the Librarian, no report will be given.

During the summer the Library Deposit at the South Union School was returned to the Main Library because the room was needed for the pupils of the school, therefore no report will be given.

The Trustees and the Librarian wish to thank all those who have been so kind in giving books to the Library.

SARAH V. STIVERS,
Librarian.

REPORT OF POLICE DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen
Town of Southborough, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

The following is a report of the Police Department from January 1, 1953 to December 31, 1953.

May I, at this time, take the opportunity to thank the officers of the Southborough Police Department, Mrs. Grace Barber, our newly appointed Police Woman, the National Guard, the officers of the Police Departments of the many towns that so willingly assisted us, and the citizens of Southborough for their untiring and diligent work after the June 9th Tornado. Without the cooperation of all these people we could never have come through this unforeseen disaster. To all of you I extend my heartfelt thanks.

		Male	Female
Arrests		70	3
Accidents Investigated	56		
Other Investigations	216		
Breaking and Entering	7		
Stolen cars recovered	6		
Doors found open in public places	48		
Summons Served	91		
Cruiser Ambulance Trips to Framingham Hospital	6		
Cruiser Ambulance Trips to Marlboro Hospital	22		
Cars Checked for Traffic Violations	920		
Cars Stopped for Faulty Equipment	680		

Type of Crime

Driving Motor Vehicle to Endanger Life	13		
Driving Motor Vehicle under Influence of Liquor	8		
Assault and Battery	4		2
Assault with a Dangerous Weapon	1		

Drunks	6	
Speeding Autos	28	
Deserter from Navy	1	
Larceny of money and property	1	1
Using Car without Authority	6	
For Framingham	2	

Respectfully submitted,

FREDERICK J. SANCHIONI,
Chief of Police.

REPORT OF BOARD OF HEALTH

January 25, 1954.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen
Town of Southborough, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

The Board of Health submits herewith a report for its work in 1953.

A meeting has been held each month throughout the year with all members of the Board present.

The Well Child Conference was held in the spring. A total of 109 children were examined and 32 children were vaccinated.

A new service has been added to the conference — immunization for tetanus and diphtheria was given to 58 children.

Miss Mary Deviney, Nutritionist from the Massachusetts Department of Public Health advised the mothers regarding their children's diet.

Mrs. Cortland Ruggles was the Dental Hygienist and examined the children's teeth and made recommendations to the mothers.

The Board wishes to express its thanks to Mrs. Edward Borst for her excellent job in serving lunches during the conference. The Board also wishes to thank Mrs. Edward Kehew, Mrs. Mary Baker, Mrs. Robinson Brown, Mrs. Francis Wood and Mrs. Hazel Hosmer for serving as hostesses at the conferences.

A restaurant inspection was made during the summer and late fall. The Board is pleased to report that all restaurants are conforming to all the rules and regulations of the Board.

The Spring and Fall rubbish collections were well handled by the Highway Department.

Our patient at the Worcester County Sanatorium has been discharged.

Communicable diseases reported in 1953

Chicken pox	58	Hepatitis, Inf.	1
Dog Bite	21	Mumps	2
Whooping Cough	0	German Measles	13

Licenses issued in 1953

Ice Cream Manufacture	
Store sale of milk and cream	
Store sale of oleomargarine	1
Vehicular sale of milk and cream	1
Pasteurization	1
Nursery	3
Anti-freeze	1
Funeral Home	1

Respectfully submitted,

SOPHIA M. COLEMAN,
Secretary.

TOWN COUNSEL'S REPORT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

It seems advisable to inform the town as to the legal aspects of the action taken by the town between the last annual meeting and the special meeting of September 21, 1953; hence, this report.

In accordance with the request of the Legislative Committee on Towns made at a hearing in early 1953, Article 5 was inserted in the warrant for the annual town meeting, as a result of which the meeting voted to instruct the selectmen to petition the Legislature to enact House Bill 570 which would have

validated the proceedings of the special town meetings held in April, May and June of 1952.

Upon receipt of a certified copy of the vote, the Committee on Towns favorably reported the Bill which was then referred to the Committee on Municipal Finance. At a hearing conducted by that Committee a large number of citizens appeared and expressed their views. A considerable portion of those present vigorously opposed passage of the Bill with the result that it was reported unfavorably and failed to pass.

The arguments advanced by the opponents of the Bill were based upon statements of alleged belief that the town could build the same type of school for a great deal less money than the five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000.00) which it had voted to appropriate in April, 1952. Figures from other communities were quoted to support this argument. As a result of the unfavorable legislative action the town was placed in exactly the same position it had been immediately after the special town meeting of June 3, 1952.

Thereafter a great many meetings were held between various town officers and citizens, banks and bank attorneys, as a result of which the town voted at a special town meeting on September 21, 1953, to ratify, confirm and approve the action taken at the special town meeting of April 7, 1952, at which it was voted to appropriate five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000.00) for a new elementary school. This action was not taken, however, until after the town had voted at that meeting to appropriate an additional one hundred sixty thousand dollars (\$160,000.00) for the purpose of increasing the size of the proposed school from nine to fifteen rooms.

This additional appropriation resulted in considerable extra work and caused several months delay since the bank could not approve the loan until the town had the approval of the School Building Assistance Commission and the Emergency Finance Board. The matter could not be acted upon by those Boards until the architect had amended his plans to include therein the additional rooms which it was voted to build.

The bank's attorney did, however, approve the legality of all the action taken by the town at the meeting of September 21, 1953, in connection with the new school and the additional six rooms which were voted at that meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

ALFRED W. HOWES.

PROPOSED AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWNS OF BERLIN, NORTHBORO, SOUTHBORO, MASSACHUSETTS FOR A REGIONAL DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL

A. Membership of the Regional District School Committee.

1. The Regional District School Committee shall consist of the regular school committee members of the participating towns, elected and, or appointed which are as follows: Berlin, 3; Northboro, 5; Southboro, 3. Total 11 members.

B. Location of Regional District High School.

The Regional District High School shall be located near the geographical center of the three towns.

C. Type of School

The Regional District High School shall be a secondary school for Grades 9-12 inclusive. It shall include such industrial, agricultural, and household arts schools, under chapter 74, and practical arts under Section 14 of said chapter 74, as the Regional District School Committee deems advisable.

D. Method of Apportioning Costs of the Regional School

1. Construction costs shall be apportioned among member towns in the following manner:

Northboro	43.75%
Southboro	38.70%
Berlin	17.55%

(These figures are derived from an average of equalized valuation and present membership in grades 3, 4, 5, and 6.)

2. Each town shall be responsible for its share of the interest, retirement of any bonds or other obligations issued by the District.
3. The cost of operation and maintenance of the school shall be borne by the participating towns on the basis of annual census of children 6-16 inclusive of the preceding year.
4. Payments of one quarter of each town's proportional share of the Regional District School Budget shall be made quarterly in March, June, September and December.

E. Transportation

1. Transportation shall be furnished by the Regional District School Committee.
2. Transportation shall be furnished for extra-curricular activities.

F. Admission of Additional Towns

Any town not included in the Regional School District may be admitted to said District by a majority vote of the Regional District School Committee upon acceptance by the town of the original agreement with any amendments thereto.

Upon admission of such town, the total of the cost of the original construction as set forth in Section D (1-2) and of subsequent acquisitions and improvements, reduced by a depreciation allowance at the rate of 2% per annum, shall be reapportioned to all towns in the District, including the newly admitted town, on the basis employed in Section D (1) of this Agreement. The newly admitted town shall then assume liability for its entire share of the cost as determined by this Section, to be paid to the Regional School District over the remaining term of the funded debt. If no funded debt exists the newly admitted town must finance its share, as computed in this Section, independent of the Regional School District, and pay the same directly to each Participating Town according to the proportion due each town, subject to the approval of the Regional District School Committee. Any action under this Section shall be approved by the State Department of Education and The State Emergency Finance Board.

G. Withdrawal of Member Towns:—

By a majority vote at a regular or special town meeting, any town in the Regional School District may withdraw from said District, provided that a majority of the District Committee representing the remaining towns so vote, and provided further that such withdrawal is approved by the State Department of Education and the State Emergency Finance Board. Withdrawal of a town from the District will not be approved until such town has paid over, or has secured payment of, its portion of capital outlay and of any other expenses for which it became liable as a member of the District.

H. Method by Which the Agreement May Be Amended:—

This agreement may be amended by recommendation of the

Regional District School Committee and approval of member towns of the District by a majority vote at an annual or special town meeting provided that not more than one town disagrees. Such amendments shall designate their effective dates.

I. Detailed Procedure For Preparation and Adoption of Annual Budget.

On or before November 15th, the Regional District School Committee shall prepare a tentative budget and submit it to the Finance or Advisory Board in each of the participating towns. This budget shall be detailed according to the accounting classifications of the State Department of Education, together with salary schedule.

A final budget shall be adopted by December 31, and shall be apportioned among the several towns in manner set forth in Section D, paragraphs 3 and 4, and shall be certified and submitted to Treasurers of participating towns.

J. The Regional District School Committee shall have authority to act on any and all matters not inconsistent with existing law, which to the members thereof seem advisable.

K. Tuition

Tuition students residing outside the Regional School District may attend the Regional School District upon approval of the Regional District School Committee and payment of an established tuition.

**REPORT OF
THE REGIONAL SCHOOL PLANNING BOARD**

Since our last Annual Town Meeting your Regional School Planning Board has met regularly with similar Regional Boards from Northborough and Berlin. We three have formed a Regional School District Planning Board and have recently unanimously drawn up an agreement to be presented to the voters of the various towns in May or early June. A copy of this agreement follows this report.

Forums have been held in the various towns explaining the plan and it is proposed to hold a public hearing before the voters decide on this issue.

Your Board has approached the high school problem from

only two points of view: First — education for our children, Second — cost to the taxpayers. On the first point — obviously a student attending a high school of 6 to 8 hundred students as against 100 or 150 is bound to be exposed to more courses of study, better athletic programs and well rounded extra-curricular activities including orchestra, band, dramatics, etc. Also, as our Public School System is supposed to provide for all our students, for those who might be backward in classes, it will be economically possible for the first time to provide special courses. It is also possible to provide a full time guidance director.

For one reason or another, approximately 65% of Southborough students entering our 7th grade are not with us when their class graduates from high school. When we provide more courses and better athletics we are sure this percentage of dropouts will be greatly reduced, thus fulfilling our duty as conscientious citizens to our forefathers who founded our public schools. Our country's progress, knowledge, and wealth is due in a large part to the public school system and its opportunities for everyone.

On the second point — cost:

A. The school plant — one gymnasium, one auditorium, one cafeteria, central offices, one heating plant, are more economical to build than three of each. In addition, the state will pay approximately 62% of the cost of the building and all the expense of preliminary plans, all the expense of transportation and increased state aid for our elementary schools.

B. Maintenance: No saving is contemplated here as the savings resulting from consolidation will be used for more and better education or another way of saying this is that we will get better education for the same money.

When the final draft of the proposed Regional School District is written, every family in Southborough will have a copy together with explanations as to costs, enrollments, courses, etc.

We hope you will all attend our Public Hearing on this issue.

Respectfully submitted,

DAVID W. ALDRICH, Chairman
LOUIE A. HOISINGTON
GEORGE COLEMAN

REPORT OF THE HIGHWAY BUILDING COMMITTEE

To the Citizens of Southborough,

The Building Committee on the "Highway Department Garage and Storage Building," held several meetings during 1953 and 1954. We decided that the present site, now in use by your Highway Department, to be too small in area and too congested.

We recommend the use of the land on School Street, now used for our Town dump. This area contains about $1\frac{3}{4}$ acres. It will improve the conditions in that locality, and make a good centre for operations for our Highway Department.

We have plans drawn for this building, by Engineer C. W. Deer, of this Town. The building is 100 feet long, 40 feet wide, 15 feet high, and five (5) truck-size over-head doors. Steel girder-supported Barrett-type roof, and the building to be fire-resistant-cement-block construction. We recommend the Highway Department supply labor as far as possible, such as excavating, cement-block work, etc.

The site is not available for this Committee, as yet, so we recommend the sum of \$100.00 be appropriated for further study and that we, the Committee, report at our Annual Town Meeting in March, 1955.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD J. PHAIR
HOWARD P. NORCROSS
WILLIAM COLLEARY

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

After the March Elections, the Board of Selectmen organized as follows: —

Mr. Arthur Perham, Chairman, Mr. Arthur L. Hosmer, Mr. John Hill, and Miss Mary J. Firmin, Clerk.

Twenty-four regular meetings were held, as well as thirty-five special, during the year.

Investigations of the Town's Highways and Drainage Systems were made. Restaurants and Liquor establishments were visited and inspected.

Twenty-four street lights were installed at a cost of Eighteen (\$18.00) Dollars each, per year.

24 @ \$18.00

1 @ 28.00

(Two special installations at \$18.00 each)

Due to new developments being established and also for the protection and safety of the Public, these installations were expedient.

Bids were sent out for the purchase of a Four-Wheel-Drive truck for the Highway Department — C. F. Edson Company, of West Springfield, Mass., was the successful bidder. Bids were also sent out for a Sand Spreader — awarded to E. J. Bleiler Company, of Needham, Mass.

Under Chapter 90 Construction, the extensions on Southville Road, for 1952 and 1953, were completed. Under Chapter 90 Construction, another section of Southville Road is planned for 1954, and an article is being placed in the Warrant of the Annual Meeting for said purpose. Chapter 81 and 90 Maintenance work was carried out in the usual manner, under the direction of the State Engineers and Street Superintendent.

Although there was a definite increase in the Town's population, no new streets were accepted.

Drainage installation, up on Oak Hill Road, Fayville, starting at Maple Street and continuing down to the Turnpike, was completed.

The following licenses were granted in the year 1953: —

Miscellaneous

Auctioneer's		1	
Junk Collectors'		5	
Common Victualers'		12	
Agents' and Sellers'	Class I	5	
Used Car Dealers'	Class II	1	
Motor Vehicle Junk	Class III	1	
Fire Arms		2	
License to Slaughter		1	
Entertainment on the Lord's Day		1	29
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Liquor

Wines and Malt Beverages (one day)	3
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Wines and Malt Beverages (Package Goods Store)	4	
Wines and Malt Beverages (Restaurant)	1	
All Alcoholic Beverages (Restaurant)	2	
All Alcoholic Beverages (Package Store)	2	
All Alcoholic Beverages (Club)	3	15
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Total Licenses		44

Playground activities, under the direction of the Parent-Teachers' Association, and the supervision of the Board of Selectmen, were carried out successfully, in all parts of the Town.

The Fay School swimming pool was used by the Town, again this year, and we take this opportunity to thank Mr. Harrison L. Reinke, Headmaster of Fay School, for his co-operation.

A new heating system has been installed in the Fay Library.

Fayville Hall has had four (4) new radiators installed, as well as a new sink, also new rear steps have been put in. The exterior of said Hall has been painted, as well as the interior of the first floor. We feel this program should be carried on the same as last year.

The Board of Selectmen has kept in touch with the State Civil Defense, constantly, since June 9, 1953, in order to get all reimbursement possible, to help relieve the hardships which were imposed on the tornado victims, causing much suffering.

The State Civil Defense is anxious that all towns have a working organization. At the present time, the Board has been unable to find anyone that is willing to accept the responsibility, in heading a Civil Defense Organization in Southborough.

We hope that some civic-minded person will see the seriousness of this situation, and offer his services as a Civil Defense Director for the Town.

We wish to express our appreciation to the people of Southborough, and especially to all of the Town Departments, as well as the surrounding communities, for their splendid co-operation in dealing with the conditions that existed after the Tornado had struck.

The Board met with representatives of the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company to discuss telephone service in the Southborough, Southville-Cordaville sections of the Town. Said representatives told the Board that better telephone service is forthcoming in the very near future.

We wish to thank all Boards and Departments for their co-operation during the year, also the interest shown by the Advisory Board in various Town problems, their effort to keep the taxes at a minimum, consistent with good government, is to be commended.

ARTHUR PERHAM, Chairman
ARTHUR L. HOSMER
JOHN HILL

Board of Selectmen.

REPORT OF VETERANS' SERVICES

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen
Town of Southborough, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

During the year this department gave advice and counsel to veterans and their dependents when needed.

During the reconstruction period following the tornado of June 9th, I worked with the representative from the National Red Cross to aid veterans in need.

Three burial cases were handled by this office in 1953.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD F. BROCK,
Veterans and Burial Agent.

REPORT OF THE CEMETERY COMMISSION

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen,
Town of Southborough, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

The Board of Cemetery Commissioners herewith submit their annual report for the year 1953.

Southborough Cemeteries were cared for in the usual manner during the year.

The Chairman of the Board, Mr. Edward C. Ramsdell, is retiring from the Commission at the close of this term after many years of faithful and exemplary service. His sage advice and steadying influence was instrumental in keeping the Cemeteries in a well kept condition.

Continual improvements were made over the years as financial conditions improved through the Newall Fund and increased Perpetual Care Accounts.

The Reports of Receipts and Expenditures will be found in the report of the Town Accountant.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD C. RAMSDELL, Chairman
JOHN J. O'REILLY, Secretary
CHARLES E. CORBETT

ANNUAL REPORT

of the

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

of the

TOWN OF SOUTHBOROUGH

For the Year Ending

DECEMBER 31

1953

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL

THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

David W. Aldrich, Chairman	Term expires 1954
Mrs. Katherine O. Allen, Secretary	Term expires 1954
Howard P. Norcross	Term expires 1956

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Roger K. Poole, B.S., Ed. M.

Office: Northboro Elementary School Building

Residence: Southboro, Mass.

Telephone, Northboro 7231

Telephone, Marlboro 920

The Superintendent is available for consultation at all times. Call above numbers for appointment.

Mrs. Bernice R. Blakeley School Department Clerk

Business office, Northboro Elementary School Building

Open 8:30 A. M. to 5:00 P. M.

FACULTY OF THE SOUTHBORO SCHOOLS

Peters High School

James A. Higgiston, B.S. (Notre Dame) Ed.M. (Boston Univ.)

Principal

William G. Blount, B.A., M.A. (Clark Univ.)

Social Studies

Paul H. Buckley, B.S. (Mt. St. Mary's Univ.) Ed.M. (Columbia Univ.)

Sciences

Robert E. Chalmers, B.S. (Boston Univ.) Mathematics and Science

Miss Frances A. Fales, B.A. (Simpson College)

English and Social Studies

Mrs. Pauline S. Gast, B.S. (Univ. of Mass.)

Household Arts and Jr. Bus. Training

Miss Eva C. Hayward (Burdett College)

Commercial

Mrs. Margaret B. Houston, A.B. (Middlebury College)

English and Latin

Gene F. Insani, B.S. (Fitchburg St. Tea. College)

Industrial Arts

Miss Onaita E. MacIntyre, B.S. (Wheaton College)

English and French

Arnold R. Shaw, A.B. (Clark)

Mathematics, Science, Guidance and Driver Ed.

Peters High School Annex

Miss Mary E. Finn (Framingham Normal) Principal and Grade 6

Miss Mary C. Hayes (Framingham Normal)

Grade 1

Mrs. Alice L. Woodward (Bradford Academy)

Grade 2

Mrs. Margaret E. Cronin (Framingham Normal)

Grade 3

Mrs. Gertrude C. Clement (Framingham Normal)

Grade 4

South Union School

Mrs. Mary F. Mullen (Framingham Normal) Principal and Grade 6

Mrs. Mary C. Dubois, B.S. (Worcester St. Tea. College)

Grades 1 and 2

Mrs. Virginia A. Charles, B.S. (Framingham St. Tea. College) Grades 2 and 3
 Mrs. Dorothy W. Marshall, B.S. (Boston Univ.) Grade 5
 Mrs. Joan M. Sooy, B.S. (Worcester St. Tea. College) Grade 5
 Fayville School
 Mrs. Bessie Hersey (Aroostook Normal) Principal and Grade 1

SPECIAL SUPERVISORS ALL SCHOOLS

Miss Marguerite E. Peaslee (Portland Art School) Art
 Miss Mary M. Avedikian, B.M. (N. E. Conservatory of Music) Music
 Ed.M. (Boston Univ., College of Music)
 Mr. John P. Clark, B.S., M.Ed. (Boston Univ.) Physical Education
 Mrs. Florence R. Kinerson, B.S. (Univ. of Conn.)
 Asst. Physical Education
 Mr. William L. Rinehart, A.M. (Harvard Univ.) Handwriting

SCHOOL JANITORS

Thomas McCarthy, Peters High School and Annex Telephone Marlboro 886J
 Howard Hunt, South Union School Telephone Marlboro 2338R
 Everett May, Fayville School Telephone Marlboro 2672R

SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

Timothy P. Stone, M.D. Telephone Marlboro 2444

SCHOOL NURSE

Mrs. Rachel Hosmer, R.N. Telephone Marlboro 894M

CENSUS ENUMERATOR

Albert Beaton Telephone Marlboro 144M1

ATTENDANCE OFFICER

Robert H. Johnson Telephone Marlboro 1588

SCHOOL COMMITTEE REPORT

To the Citizens of the Town of Southboro:

Since 1947 our school enrollment has increased from 313 to 505 students. The net cost to the town of operating our school system has risen from \$48,185.00 in 1947 to \$105,430.00 in 1953. This increase which is not proportional to the annual enrollment is due to several reasons:

1. More students — more teachers.
2. More compensation to our teachers — attention is called to the "Teachers Salary Schedule," which shows that starting September, 1954 we propose to pay new teachers with a Bachelor's Degree \$2,700.00 (\$52.00 weekly). In Worcester County, Southborough stands in about the middle of the

salary range for towns our size. In order to attract graduates and to keep our present excellent teaching staff, it will be necessary to grant further pay raises from time to time.

3. Remodeling of buildings — an excellent description of what has been done to the Peters Annex and the South Union Schools is described in Superintendent Poole's report.

In September, 1954, the estimated school enrollment will be 546 students and to provide space for them it has been decided to drop the courses of manual training and home economics until our new school is built. This will provide one and one half rooms. Further inconvenience to families due to transportation problems is anticipated in 1954.

The School Lunch program is to be continued.

Southboro has been quite fortunate lately regarding its teachers and supervisors. Our present staff leaves little to be desired. They are co-operative, helpful, considerate and all seem to enjoy their profession; however, in the matter of high school facilities, there is a question as to how long competent personnel are going to put up with the present conditions under which they work. Poor lighting, inadequate ventilation and heating (even with our five furnaces), antiquated high ceilinged classrooms, insufficient students to have a well rounded curriculum are only a few of the conditions which will not be helped at all by the erection of our new school. We urge you all to carefully read the proposal regarding Regional Schools elsewhere in these pages as one very good plan to eliminate all these bad features and give our children an equal opportunity with those in the larger towns and in the cities.

Upon the suggestion of our music instructor, Miss Mary Avedekian, a new course in Instrumental Music is to be tried, starting September, 1954, details of which will be worked out and explained this spring.

We call your attention to the reduction in our town's share of the Union expense. We now pay 35% instead of 40%.

In the budget is included a sum to finish the South Union Playground with the provision of obtaining free top soil from the town. The co-operation of the Selectmen in the use of the Highway Department is also vitally necessary to complete this project.

Our school janitors are doing a fine job as many of you might have seen in your visits to our school.

Respectfully submitted,

DAVID W. ALDRICH, Chairman
HOWARD P. NORCROSS
KATHERINE O. ALLEN

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the School Committee and Citizens of Southboro:

Once again the time of year has arrived when it is my privilege and responsibility to report to all the people on the general condition of their public schools. The outlook for the future is more favorable at this time than it has been in many years. The fact that the community has made a final decision to proceed with the construction of a new school building will inevitably produce a favorable influence on all aspects of the school program.

Plant Improvement

Five years ago the Southboro School Committee inaugurated an aggressive program of repairs designed to put the South Union School and Peters High School Annex into good condition for permanent use on a schedule which called for the substantial completion of the repairs before construction of the new building actually got under way. With the work planned for the summer of 1954, this program is nearly complete.

During 1953 the basement of the South Union School was thoroughly cleaned out of old installations, a new concrete floor was poured, and a thoroughly modern school cafeteria set up which is now serving well over 100 children daily. A fine beginning was made on the construction of a level field or playground of adequate size to serve the number of school children attending the building. Blasting and rough excavation are complete, a play field having been carved out of the rocky hillside. It is planned during 1954 to erect a fence at the top of the embankment and to spread loam on the field and plant grass.

The four year renovation of the South Union School has included the following projects:

1. A new twenty-year-bonded roof and removal of parapets.
2. A complete new oil-fired heating system.
3. Construction of new toilet rooms completely equipped with new plumbing throughout. New complete water service.
4. Construction of a teachers' toilet.
5. Complete repainting of the building, inside and out.
6. Sanding and refinishing of floors.
7. Replacement of obsolete furniture with new movable units.
8. Conversion of blackboards to sight saving green chalk boards.
9. New concrete floor in basement.
10. Development of cafeteria in basement.
11. Construction of hot top apron in front of building.
12. Construction of additional fire exits from classrooms.
13. Replacement of ordinary glass with wire glass everywhere required by safety regulations.
14. Installation of electric fire alarm system.
15. Installation of emergency lighting.
16. Rough construction of playground area.
17. Installation of running hot water.
18. Replacement of old electric service panel.

Work at the Peters High School Annex has been similar in purpose but less extensive. Over the past four years the following work has been completed at the Peters High School Annex:

1. Complete interior and exterior painting.
2. Conversion of the boiler to oil firing.
3. Development of a complete new classroom on the basement level.
4. Replacement of obsolete classroom furniture with new movable units.
5. Sanding and refinishing of floors.
6. Installation of running hot water.

Unfortunately, because of shortsighted original design, it will never be possible to remodel the Annex into a satisfactory complete school without a major addition to the building. There is no space available for the development of an assembly room or even a teachers' toilet. At the present time there is not even a single closet for the storage of books or paper materials. It is planned during 1954 to utilize what was formerly the coal bin before conversion to oil as a storage area. By installing a floor in the coal bin halfway between the present floor and ceiling and by cutting a door through from the basement corridor into the upper level of the coal bin, it will be possible to construct a storage room for book and paper supplies and to utilize the lower level for storage of rough materials.

Two Highlights

Two highlights of the year's operation deserve to be reported here. The first concerns a project in self-improvement which the elementary teachers have undertaken on their own initiative and without official credit of any kind, salary or otherwise. With the assistance of Miss Ruth Somers, Field Service Representative of the Worcester State Teachers College, the Southboro elementary teachers undertook a year long study project, the objective of which was the development of special skills and methods in the presentation of the subject matter to children. The results of this project are already apparent in many of our classrooms. Our elementary teachers are to be congratulated on their zeal in this undertaking. In addition to the project just mentioned a majority of the elementary staff have participated this fall and winter in a University Extension Course in "Improvement of Elementary Instruction." Our teachers give every evidence of eagerness to keep pace with improvements already made and with those to come in our physical facilities.

The teaching staff in Peters High School merits high commendation for outstanding instructional success. Every few years, as a means of checking on the quality of educational service which is being provided, we administer to all students at Peters High School in the four senior high school classes, a standardized test of educational development which is used widely all over the United States for purposes of comparison and evaluation. Southboro can be proud that the instructional program as measured by a nationally standardized test this year placed the general educational development of all

Peters High School students in the highest ten per cent of all high schools tested throughout the country. Five years ago, on the same standardized test, our High School placed a little above the national average at the fifty-five percentile point. The gain over this period is a solid tribute to the accomplishment of our High School staff.

The Housing Problem

The delay which has occurred in the construction of the new elementary schools during the past few years has presented a number of problems which have been difficult and uncomfortable of solution. In order to meet the increased enrollment in 1953, it was necessary to convert the assembly hall at South Union School to emergency classroom use. This space is now in full use as two fifth grade classrooms. By removing the assembly hall from its ordinary use as a place for physical education classes, assemblies, dramatic presentations, etc., the educational program of the South Union School will be severely handicapped until the new building is opened and the assembly hall can be returned to its original purpose. This action has also deprived the south community in the Town of its best hall for general community purposes. We shall be glad when it is again available.

In the difficult task of fitting all children in the four villages of Southboro into the classroom space available, it has been necessary to shift many children from their customary school building assignment. This dislocation has, of course, involved complications in the transportation program and some expense. The School Committee is most appreciative of the understanding attitude on the part of the majority of parents in adapting themselves to the necessary changes.

The fall of 1954 will inevitably bring about further serious dislocations. In order to provide classroom space for the still expanding elementary enrollment, it will be necessary to curtail severely the educational offerings at the High School next year. The manual training and home economics programs are being terminated, as an emergency measure, and the classrooms in Peters High School which have been in use for many years for these special subjects will be diverted to use as temporary elementary classrooms. This necessary step will be a disappointment to many people but it appears to be the logical one for the greatest good for the greatest number. It will also be necessary, on an even larger scale, to move chil-

dren from the schools they would normally attend and to place them wherever there is space. Your School Committee will need the understanding and cooperation of all parents in meeting succssfully these problems which were forced upon them by circumstances beyond their control.

Conclusion

For the past few years it has appeared that the Southboro public schools were headed for certain disaster as a result of the inability of the Town to agree upon a satisfactory solution to the housing problem. High credit has been earned by the Southboro Advisory Board for their statesmanlike action in bringing together the differing factions in the Town on a generally satisfactory compromise which has resulted in starting the Town on a building program designed to meet our increasing enrollment. A real service has been rendered. May I express my appreciation here to the Southboro School Committee which has faced unusually difficult problems cheerfully, and particularly to our teachers, one and all, who have kept on trying hard and giving their best through these past difficult years of disappointment. They have done so well with such poor tools that it will be, I believe, heartening to us all to watch their accomplishment when given adequate facilities with which to work.

Respectfully submitted,

ROGER K. POOLE,
Superintendent of Schools.

REPORT OF THE PRINCIPAL OF PETERS HIGH SCHOOL

Mr. Roger K. Poole
Superintendent of Schools
Southborough, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Poole:

At Peters High, where the building interior was completely repainted during the summer in attractive pastel colors, school reopened on September 9, 1953, with a record size enrollment of 98 students for the junior high grades VII and VIII. The additional space to provide double classrooms for each grade was acquired by the transfer of grade V to the South Union building.

Because the exterior fire-escape has been declared unsafe, our third-floor gymnasium-auditorium can no longer be used for physical education, music classes, assemblies and audio-visual programs. Through the courtesy of our Board of Selectmen, Town Hall facilities have been made available during the school day; so that many of the above classes are now held there. Problems of scheduling and administration make it necessary, however, to curtail considerably the frequency of these activities.

Once gain, we were able to participate in the safety educational program with at-the-wheel instruction for driver training. A new Chevrolet was made available by Mr. Alton Spurr for the state prescribed course; and approximately fifteen Peters High students received the official state certificate for satisfactory completion of all requirements.

Graduation exercises for the Class of 1953, scheduled for June 9, were postponed until June 15 because of the tragic tornado which struck our town. At this time there were 27 graduates; 12 of whom have continued their education at institutions of higher learning, and two others have entered the armed service.

Nora Kula, now attending Jackson College, and Edward Baker, presently enrolled as a freshman at the University of Massachusetts, were recipients of the local Robinson Memorial Scholarship awards of \$250.00 each. In addition, Dorothea Straube, class valedictorian, was awarded a scholarship of \$100.00 at Boston University.

For the fifth consecutive year our senior class enjoyed a spring vacation trip to Washington and New York. To the many townspeople who responded so well in cooperating with the numerous fund-raising activities, making this trip possible, we express our sincere appreciation.

For a high school of its limited size, we are able to point with pride to several of our extra-curricular activities during 1953. Among highlights were:

(1) The **Peters Piper**, our school paper, was awarded by the Columbia University Scholastic Press Association a first-place award in national competition for school magazines in its respective class.

(2) In the field of interscholastic sports, our girls' basketball and softball teams were declared league champions for

the first time since the formation of the East Central League five years ago.

(3) An operetta was presented by our student body for the first time in recent years. **Sunbonnet Sue**, with a cast of 50, was well received by an enthusiastic audience last March.

(4) And once again, many kind words of commendation were extended to the sponsor and exhibitors at our annual Science Fair.

In previous reports, we have made reference to the state evaluation of a secondary educational institution in terms of plant, program, and personnel. Limitations of our physical plant have frequently been mentioned. It is indeed, with new hope, anticipation, and enthusiasm that we look forward to modern facilities for our junior high school in the new building to be constructed.

With the completion of the proposed school building, the Town of Southborough will have provided most satisfactorily for the educational program through the first eight grades.

Practically every small town in this geographical area has started, or is intensively studying and contemplating modern high school housing. I do hope that serious consideration will be given to our needs at the senior high school level.

For the splendid co-operation extended to us by you and members of our school committee, may I express our sincere appreciation.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES A. HIGGISTON.

REPORT OF ART SUPERVISOR

Mr. Roger K. Poole
Superintendent of Schools
Southborough, Massachusetts

Dear Sir:

My annual report for your perusal is as follows —

Throughout the world today there are many specialists in varied fields. Every individual has a part, though often minor,

in furthering the development or utilization of a product that is being developed by these specialists.

How few of us truly understand, or are willing to acknowledge the major role Art has in furthering all the experimentation necessary in the development of this vast amount of progress.

The child in school is seldom aware of the art angle in the various phases of these processes. He is more interested in his own little world, and satisfying his own needs in a creative manner. Our challenge is to guide and help develop his creative ability toward a more satisfactory fulfillment. We should constantly urge him onward toward clearer thinking, and more efficiently learning the underlying principles necessary for him to take his place and share in the opportunities available to all in the present scheme of living.

Our young people are the citizens of tomorrow. What a future there is in store for them! If they can not produce the material things of progress, their knowledge should be such that they can demand the best from others.

With the facilities available in our school system today, every child is exposed to a wide scope of educational material. His opportunities for advancement are there if he will but grasp the essential material for his growth.

Art is a vital part of any school program. Though the actual value put upon it as a part of the school curriculum is small, the over all results, through correlation, if looked into thoroughly, would be astonishing. This is not often manifest to the average person. In the final analysis it is truly what the individual child reaps for self advancement that counts. As in general education, the emphasis has been changed from making the product to developing the child.

This being true, the evaluation of the process is done during, or at the completion of a given project in school. That is also where praise of teacher and student is most valuable for growth.

Yours very truly,

MARGUERITE ELLIOTT PEASLEE,
Supervisor of Art.

THE REPORT OF THE MUSIC SUPERVISOR

Mr. Roger K. Poole
Superintendent of Schools
Southborough, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Poole:

It is becoming increasingly apparent that music is a vital part of a child's existence not only during school years but occupies an extremely important part in the enrichment of his entire life.

The aims of Music Education are:

1. To instill in each child a true appreciation and love of good music leading to aesthetic and cultural growth.
2. To train the child in habits of concentration and thinking.

In the development of a child the contribution of music is two-fold: cultural and intellectual.

In the lower grades we have concentrated primarily on producing good tone, accurate rhythm and proper posture for singing. In the upper elementary grades the emphasis is placed on part singing.

The matter of music reading is a very important one. We begin teaching theory in the 1st grade so that by the time a child has reached the 5th and 6th grades he should be provided with an adequate knowledge and perception of reading music.

In Junior High School the music classes include some additional theory, listening and, of course, singing. Special attention is given to the changing voice of the adolescent boy. He is encouraged to keep on singing through the natural processes which his vocal chords undergo.

In the High School our mixed chorus consists of approximately 50 students. In the choice of music for this chorus we have tried to take into consideration the enjoyment and taste of the students as well as the intellectual value of the music sung.

To afford our students the experience and opportunity of public performance we have presented music programs in the Elementary Schools and High School.

In most instances the music education a child gets in school will be the only musical training he will receive. It is absolutely essential therefore that each student be offered experience and participation in every possible medium of music.

Our present music curriculum has been based entirely on vocal music. Cultivating the voice is fine but an effective, well-rounded school music program should include instrumental as well as vocal work.

Plans are underway now for beginning instrumental lessons in our schools next September. These lessons will start in the 5th grade and continue through High School. The student will purchase the instrument of his choice on a rental-purchase plan which will be made available; the instruction will be given free of charge. We hope that in this way not only will we provide the town with a school band but that the knowledge of playing an instrument will be carried by our students many years after graduation.

By including both vocal and instrumental training in our music department our children will have a deeper appreciation and a more thorough understanding of music in general.

I would like to express to you my sincerest thanks for your understanding help and guidance in the progress of my work. I would like to extend my gratitude and appreciation to the principal and class-room teachers without whose capable support and cooperation success could not be achieved.

I have enjoyed very much teaching my students whose interest in music and earnest effort have been truly heart-warming.

Respectfully submitted,

MARY MARGARET AVEDIKIAN,
Supervisor of Music.

REPORT OF SUPERVISOR OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Mr. Roger K. Poole
Superintendent of Schools
Southborough, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Poole:

This is my annual report as Supervisor of Physical Education.

As the Supervisor it is only natural that I should appraise the program with the intention of improving it. The basis for appraising academic subjects cannot be used for judging the work in Physical Education. Most academic subjects need a classroom or a laboratory with their respective equipment. In Physical Education, however, such is not the case. The facilities, equipment, and available space affect the type of program and its included activities more than any other factor does with the possible exception of sufficient instructors to conduct the program. Without adequate indoor and outdoor space it is difficult to maintain a desirable program of Physical Education and without enough instructors it is impossible.

Five years ago I was hired to establish a basic or skeleton program for the towns of Northborough, Southborough and Berlin. As a result two people now service two high schools and six grade schools in three towns meeting a total of sixty-eight (68) classes a week. The High School and Junior High School pupils have two periods a week, as required by law, and the lower grades have one period a week. It is here at the grade school level that the correction is needed. The time allotment is not adequate. The grade school children should have at least two, preferably three, periods a week for it is at this level that good healthful habits should be started.

The space factor is, and has been the greatest handicap to the program in Southborough. The outdoor space at the high school is far from adequate but is usable. The area in the attic of the high school that has been used for the past four years has been condemned and the Physical Education classes are now held in the town hall. There is more area at the town hall, and, other than the commuting to and from, the arrangement is a great improvement over the previous years.

There is no indoor space at the Fayville school and neither indoor nor outdoor space at South Union School. An excellent

outdoor area is under construction and should be available by the beginning of the next school year. The addition of two classrooms in what was the assembly hall and gymnasium at South Union has forced us to use a small area in the basement. The Annex uses the same areas as the high school. With the completion of the new school all space difficulties will be remedied.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN P. CLARK,
Supervisor of Physical Education.

REPORT OF ASSISTANT SUPERVISOR OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Mr. Roger K. Poole
Superintendent of Schools
Southborough, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Poole:

The Physical Education program in the Elementary Grades (1-4) this past year, included:

Mimetics	Stunts
Story Plays	Running Games
Rhythms	Ball Games
Singing Games	Circle Games
Folk Dances	Team Games

The following outline will give an idea of the program used in the 7th through the 12th grade.

January and February

- Basketball Drill and Scrimmage
- Badminton — Shuffleboard — Apparatus Stunts
- Interscholastic Basketball (Grades 5 and 6)
- Dancing: Folk, Square, Waltz and variations, Fox-trot, Introduction to the Rhumba

March and April

- Stunts and Tumbling Activities
- Volleyball
- Softball

May and June

Softball

Tennis

Field Days

September and October

Soccer and Speedball

Calisthenics

November and December

Relay races

Basketball

FLORENCE KINERSON,
Asst. Supervisor of Physical Education.

REPORT OF SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

Mr. Roger K. Poole
Superintendent of Schools
Southborough, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Poole:

Physical examinations are now being given annually to the pupils in the first, third, sixth, ninth and twelfth grades except for those pupils whose parents elect to have such periodic examinations done by their family physicians. In order to increase the value of this survey work, parents are urged to let the school nurse know of any problems or questions of health which might be answered at the time of the examination. Examinations out-of-schedule are done as the need arises — as in the case of pupils engaged in strenuous athletics.

“Booster” immunization injections of Diphtheria and Tetanus toxoids will be given to pupils in selected grades this spring. It is important that this program be well supported by parents because recent studies show an increase in the Diphtheria case rate. Responsibility is the price of good health.

This opportunity is taken to remind parents of the annual free vaccination clinic for candidates for the first grade to take place in late May or June.

Respectfully submitted,

TIMOTHY P. STONE, M. D.,
School Physician.

REPORT OF SCHOOL NURSE

Mr. Roger K. Poole
Superintendent of Schools
Southborough, Massachusetts

Dear Sir:

My annual report for the year ending December 31, 1953.

The health status of the student body has been good this year with an average number of absentees due to colds.

There were very few cases of communicable diseases during the year, fifteen cases of chicken pox, two cases of scarlet fever, and three cases of german measles.

Four hundred and eighty students were given the Massachusetts Vision Test this year.

Plans are being made for a diphtheria and tetanus immunization clinic in the schools during the coming school year.

The Well Child Conferences were held in the spring. Another service was added to the Well Child Conference program this year. Dr. Stone made diphtheria and tetanus immunization available to all children needing them, in addition to the vaccination of children who are entering school in September.

The new health cards recommended by the state department are being used this year. These new cards give parents the opportunity of having their child's physical examinations done by their family physician if they prefer. Dr. Stone started doing the annual physical examinations in September.

My thanks to you, the faculty and the parents for the cooperation given me.

Respectfully submitted,

RACHEL A. HOSMER, R. N.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Southborough School Department

For The Year Ending December 31, 1953

SCHOOL ACCOUNT

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS

Appropriation	\$129,435.73
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SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURES

Expenses of Instruction

Teachers' Salaries	\$78,057.27
Textbooks	2,095.75
Supplies	3,338.88

\$83,491.90

Operation of School Plant

Janitors' Salaries	\$6,365.67
Fuel	3,648.13
Miscellaneous Operation	2,188.50

12,202.30

Maintenance of School Plant

Repairs	\$7,224.48
Outlay	7,760.16

14,984.64

Auxiliary Agencies

Libraries	\$520.55
Health	1,673.11
Transportation	11,223.98
Miscellaneous	494.36

13,912.00

General Control

Superintendent's Salary and Expense	\$3,100.14
Office Salaries and Expense	1,411.42
Other Expense	194.92

4,706.48

Unexpended balance

138.41

TOTAL SCHOOL ACCOUNT

\$129,435.73

VOCATIONAL EDUCATION ACCOUNT

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS

Appropriation	\$4,072.00
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SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURES

Vocational Tuition	\$1,998.32
Vocational Transportation	730.63
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Total expenditures	\$2,728.95
Unexpended balance	1,343.05

TOTAL VOCATIONAL EDUCATION ACCOUNT	\$4,072.00
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TOILET AND LOCKER FACILITIES, SOUTH UNION SCHOOL

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS

Balance from 1952	\$1,823.23
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SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURES

Total expenditures	\$48.50
Unexpended balance	1,774.73

TOTAL TOILET AND LOCKER FACILITIES, SOUTH UNION SCHOOL	\$1,823.23
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ROOF AND PAINTING, SOUTH UNION SCHOOL

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS

Balance from 1952	\$254.75
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SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURES

Unexpended balance	\$254.75
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PAINTING PETERS HIGH SCHOOL

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS

Appropriation	\$8,500.00
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SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURES

Total expenditures	\$7,085.86
Unexpended balance	1,414.14

TOTAL PAINTING, PETERS HIGH SCHOOL	\$8,500.00
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FLAGPOLE, PETERS HIGH SCHOOL

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS

Appropriation	\$325.00
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SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURES

Total expenditures	\$322.00
Unexpended balance	3.00

TOTAL FLAGPOLE ACCOUNT, PETERS HIGH SCHOOL	\$325.00
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PLAY AREA, SOUTH UNION SCHOOL

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS

Appropriation	\$1,050.00
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SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURES

Total expenditures	\$763.95
Unexpended balance	286.05

TOTAL PLAY AREA ACCOUNT, SOUTH UNION SCHOOL	\$1,050.00
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HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ACCOUNT

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS

Balance from 1952	\$72.64
Appropriation	500.00
Miscellaneous receipts	511.90

Total Receipts	\$1,084.54
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SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURES

Total expenditures	\$1,082.56
Balance to 1954	1.98

TOTAL HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ACCOUNT	\$1,084.54
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SCHOOL LUNCH ACCOUNT (PETERS HIGH SCHOOL)

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS

Balance from 1952	\$458.57
Lunchroom receipts and state aid	7,163.22

Total Receipts	\$7,621.79
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SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURES

Total expenditures	\$7,339.93
Balance to 1954	281.86

TOTAL SCHOOL LUNCH ACCOUNT
(PETERS HIGH SCHOOL) \$7,621.79

SCHOOL LUNCH ACCOUNT (SOUTH UNION SCHOOL)

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS

Transfer from High School Lunch Account	\$350.00	
Lunchroom receipts and state aid	1,100.54	
Total Receipts		\$1,450.54

SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURES

Total expenditures	\$1,388.14
Balance to 1954	62.40

TOTAL SCHOOL LUNCH ACCOUNT
(SOUTH UNION SCHOOL) \$1,450.54

NET COST OF OPERATION OF SCHOOLS FROM LOCAL TAXATION

Expenditures from Tax Funds 1953:

School Account	\$129,297.32
Vocational Education Account	2,728.95
Toilet and Locker Facilities, So. Union	48.50
Painting, Peters High School	7,085.86
Play Area, South Union School	763.95
High School Athletic Account	500.00

Total Expenditures for Tax Funds \$140,424.58

Income Accruing During 1953 on Account of Schools:

State Reimbursements:

Chapter 70	\$20,760.97
Supt's salary and expense	1,493.34
Transportation	8,249.80
Vocational tuition and trans.	1,855.11
State wards, tuition and trans.	2,478.02
Non-resident tuition	93.87
Miscellaneous cash receipts	62.93

Less total income 34,994.04

Net Cost of Operation of Schools from Local
Taxation \$105,430.54

SOUTHBORO SALARY SCHEDULE

September 1, 1954

Professional Training Teaching Experience	3 Years or Less (Non-Degree)	4 Years (Bachelor's Degree)	5 Years (Master's Degree)
0	(1) 2500	(10) 2700	(19) 2900
1	(2) 2650	(11) 2850	(20) 3050
2	(3) 2800	(12) 3000	(21) 3200

Semester hours
of postgraduate
training (approved
course) to qualify
for further increase

3

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3	(4) 2950	(13) 3150	(22) 3350
4	(5) 3100	(14) 3300	(23) 3500

Semester hours
of postgraduate
training (approved
course) to qualify
for further increase

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5	(6) 3250	(15) 3450	(24) 3650
6	(7) 3400	(16) 3600	(25) 3800

Semester hours
of postgraduate
training approved
course) to qualify
for further increase

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7	(8) 3350	(17) 3750	(26) 3950
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Maxi- mum (8)	(9) 3700	(18) 3900	(27) 4100
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3 semester hours postgraduate study every 3 years to remain at maximum.

Sick Leave — In case of personal illness or death in the immediate family each teacher is entitled to ten school days sick leave without loss of pay. Sick leave is cumulative up to a maximum of thirty school days in three years. Deductions for absence because of sickness beyond the period of sick

leave, or for absence resulting from other causes, will be taken at the rate of one one hundred eightieth of the annual salary for each day of absence.

Termination pay — In case a teacher should find it necessary to resign her position at any time during the school year, salary paid for the partial year will be in the same proportion to the annual salary as the number of days taught bears to the number of school days in the school year.

Outside Experience Credit — Upon entering the service of the Southboro Schools not more than four years of outside experience will be allowed for salary credit.

Enrollment by Grades October 1, 1953

Grade	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Total
Fayville	28												28
Peters Annex	31	34	31	30		23							149
So. Union	14	20	19	23	56	16							148
Peters H. S.							50	46	24	22	21	17	180
Total	73	54	50	53	56	39	50	46	24	22	21	17	505

Registration of Minors as of October 1, 1953

	5 - 7 years	7 - 16 years	Total
Boys	79	242	321
Girls	62	206	268
Total	141	448	589
Enrolled in public schools	79	381	460
In vocational schools	—	2	2
In private schools	4	65	69
Not enrolled in any school	58	—	58
	141	448	589

SCHOOL CALENDAR 1953 - 1954

Southboro Public Schools

Term	Open	Close	No School	Days
First	Sept. 9	Dec. 23	Oct. 12, Nov. 6, 11, 26, and 27	71
Second	Jan. 4	Feb. 19		35
Third	March 1	April 15		34
Fourth	April 26	June 23	May 31	42
Total Days				<u>182</u>

SCHOOL CALENDAR 1954 - 1955

Southboro Public Schools

Term	Open	Close	No-school	Days
First	Sept. 8	Dec. 23 (12:30)	Oct. 11, Nov. 5, 11, 12, 25 and 26	70
Second	Jan. 3	Feb. 18		35
Third	Feb. 28	April 15	April 8	34
Fourth	April 25	June 22	May 30	42
Total Days				<u>181</u>

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